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Public Notices.

THE THEATRE ROYAL.—Mr. HARRIS, in conjunction with Mr. WILLERT BEALE, has the honour to announce a short series of ITALIAN OPERAS, Supported by the following eminent artistes:—

Mdlle. Piccolomini
Madame Borchardt
Madame Gramaglia
and
Madame Rudersdorff.
Signor Belart,
Signor Mercurtali,
and
Signor Altavilla.
Signor Alighieri,
Signor Castelli,
Signor Allara
and
Mr. Patey.
(Primo Basso del Teatro Reggio Torino.)
Prompter,
Signor Fontana.
Regisseur,
Signor Grua.
Conductor,
Signor Arditi.
Leader,
Mr. Levey.

On This (Thursday) Evening, March 8th, (first time in Dublin) Mozart's Grand Opera of LE NOZZE DI FIGARO,

Susanna,	- - -	Mdlle. Piccolomini.
Contessa,	- - -	Mme. Rudersdorff.
Cherubino,	- - -	Madame Borchardt.
Barbarina,	- - -	Madame Gramaglia.
Conte Almaviva,	- - -	Signor Alighieri.
Basilio,	- - -	Signor Atavilla.
Bartolo,	- - -	Signor Castelli.
Figaro,	- - -	Signor Mercurtali.
Gardiniere,	- - -	Signor Allara.

On Te-morrow (Friday) Evening, no Performance.

Private Boxes, 5 Guineas—4 Guineas—3 Guineas; Dress Circle, 3s.; Second Circle, 2s.; Pit, 2s.; Lower Gallery, 2s.; Upper Gallery, 1s.

THE QUEEN'S ROYAL THEATRE. On This (THURSDAY) EVENING, MARCH 8th, 1860, Will be performed the late Gerald Griffin's great Play of GISIPPUS; Or, THE FORGOTTEN FRIEND.

Gisippus,	- - -	Mr. T. C. King.
Titus Quintus Fulvius,	- - -	Mr. H. Irving.
	(His Second Appearance.)	
Melon,	- - -	Mr. Fitzjames.
Sophronia,	- - -	Miss A. Parker.

New Ballet Divertissement by Miss Merriton and the Corps de Ballet. After which, the celebrated Drama, founded on Dickens' celebrated Novel, entitled NICHOLAS NICKLEBY.

Nicholas Nickleby,	- - -	Mr. H. Irving.
John Browdie,	- - -	Mr. H. Webb.

To conclude with the Laughable Farce of WIDE-AWAKE.

William Snuffle,	- - -	Mr. W. Ellerton.

*** Notice.—The Queen's Theatre is Re-Opened for an After-Season of Six Weeks. Nights of Performance:—Every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday.

Boxes, 1s.; Pit, 1s.; Lower Gallery, 6d.; Upper ditto, 3d. Second Price at Nine o'clock—Boxes, 1s.; Pit, 6d.

Children under Twelve Half-price to Boxes and Pit.

ANTIENT CONCERTS. SECOND GRAND CONCERT. Thursday Evening, 29th March.

Music—Selections from Samson	..	Handel.
Lauda Sion	..	Mendelssohn.
3rd Mass	..	Haydn.

The Committee have secured the valuable services of Miss PALMER (Contralto), and Mr. WALSH (Bass), in addition to the usual resident band.

The Society's Monthly Dinner, Tuesday, 20th instant.

Ballot for the Admission of New Members and Associates, Monday, 19th instant.

Committee Rooms, Great Brunswick-street, 1st March, 1860.

IMMENSE SUCCESS—CROWDED HOUSES EVERY NIGHT. CONCERT ROOM, ROTUNDO. (Entrance under the Clock.) KRATKY BASCHIK, THE GREAT HUNGARIAN WIZARD AND MUSICIAN, Begs to announce that, by particular desire, he has Re-opened his "Temple of Music and Legerdemain," and will give his Soirees of Natural and Physical Magic, or, Two Hours of Illusions, every Evening, without apparatus or foreign aid; also his Grand Concerts on the "Cor Melodicon" (or four horns in one), and the "Mundo Harmonica." Marvels New, Inexplicable, and Astounding, will be presented each Evening.

An entire change of Programme each Performance.

Grand Fashionable Morning Performances on TUESDAYS and SATURDAYS, at Two o'clock, brilliantly lit with Gas.

Numbered Reserved Seats, 3s.; Reserved, 2s.; Promenade, 1s.; Back, 6d.; Children under 12 Half-price.

Doors open at Half-past Seven. To commence at Eight o'clock.

Tickets may be had and seats secured at Mr. Bussell's, 7, Westmoreland-street.

IMMENSE SUCCESS! CROWDED AND FASHIONABLE AUDIENCES— LONG ROOM, ROTUNDO— Entrance, Cavendish-row.

In consequence of the success attending the representations of Hamilton's Magnificent Continental Diorama of Italy, France, Austria, Prussia, Switzerland and the Rhine, and the increasing interest evinced by the public to witness this truly wonderful and authentic work of art, having been visited during the EXHIBITION to overflowing by several gentlemen who have long resided on the Continent, and who expressed their approbation of its extreme fidelity, the proprietors beg to announce that it will remain open till further notice. Splendid view of Rome, St. Peter's, the Vatican, &c.

At a quarter past Eight o'clock Every Evening

Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday, at Two o'clock.

Stalls, 2s. 6d.; Second Seats, 2s.; Gallery, 1s.

Tickets to be had of Mr. BUSSELL, Music Saloon, 7, Westmoreland-street.

ESTABLISHED BY HAYDEN AND PALMER. GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTICE. DR. PALMER, 32, MERRION-SQUARE NORTH, (Corner of Holles-street,)

Physician and Surgeon twenty-five years' practical experience, Medical Doctor and Licentiate of the Royal Colleges of Surgeons in Ireland, Accoucheur to the Rotundo Lying-in Hospital, late Lecturer on Anatomy, Physiology, Dissections, and Demonstrations at the Peter-street School of Medicine.

Hours at Home—3 to 11 Morning, 1 to 4 Mid-day (Sundays, 8 to 11).

Evenings—Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, 7 to 9 o'clock.

Note—Medical or Surgical Advice and Medicine (Compounded by its Apothecary), Five Shillings, at Dr. P.'s or the Patient's Residence; consultation by letter, 10s., Medicine included.

THE ADELAIDE HOSPITAL, PETER-STREET. President, the Earl of RODEN.

There is now accommodation in this Hospital for ONE HUNDRED Patients, who will be received from all parts of Ireland.

Since its opening in October, 1858, 1,522 Patients have been admitted, of whom nearly 300 have been infants and children, for whom special wards are set apart.

It may be well to state that, under the Divine blessing, this provision for this peculiar class of cases has been attended with eminent success.

Two Wards have been allocated for the reception of Patients who may desire greater privacy than is obtainable in the general wards of an Hospital, and who may be able, or their friends for them, to pay Ten Shillings a week.

There is a Dispensary immediately connected with the Hospital, at which the Medical Officers attend from Half-past Nine to Ten o'clock a.m., daily, and at which above 12,000 patients have been prescribed for within the past year.

The prompt and liberal aid of the Christian Public is most earnestly solicited for this Institution, which is entirely dependent on voluntary support, and the blessings of which have, under God's providence, been widely extended and abundantly felt.

Contributions will be most thankfully received by any Member of the Committee, and by JOHN REID, Esq., Secretary, at the Hospital.

C. S. STANFORD, D.D., Hon. Sec.

N.B.—Donations of Flannel, either made up or otherwise, and of general articles of clothing, will be peculiarly serviceable to Patients leaving the Hospital—a matter to which the Committee beg particular attention.

MIDLAND GREAT WESTERN, AND GREAT SOUTHERN AND WESTERN RAILWAYS. ROSCOMMON GOODS TRAFFIC.

On and after MONDAY, 12th March, Goods will be conveyed to and from Roscommon.

Particulars as to rates, &c., can be obtained at the Stations.

N.B.—A Storage Charge of one shilling per ton per day will be made on all Goods not removed from the Roscommon Station within twenty-four hours after arrival at Roscommon.

By Order, W. FORBES, Manager.

Broadstone, Dublin, 8th March, 1860.

ATHLONE STEEPLE CHASES. STEWARDS:

John Ennis, Esq., M.P.; Colonel Goodenough, John Longworth, Esq.; John Malone, Esq.; Thomas M. Naghten, Esq.; William Pirn, Esq.; John Nugent, Esq.; Robert Mooney, Esq.; Christopher Usher, Esq.; Captain Wilkinson, R.H.A.; and Patrick Grehan, Esq.

Judge—R. J. Hunter, Esq., 37, Upper Gloucester-street, Dublin.

Treasurer and Hon. Secretary—J. W. Fair, Esq.

CLOSING STAKES.

The Glynwood Cup, entries March 19. Garrycastle Handicap, entries March 16; weights published March 18, at Dyrer's; acceptances March 19.—Mr. Hunter. Selling Race, entries March 16—Mr. Hunter. Railway Plate, entries March 27, at the Stand-house, at Five o'clock—Mr. Hunter. Athlone Handicap Stakes, entries March 15; weights published March 15, at Dyrer's; acceptances March 19 —Mr. Hunter. Consolation Stakes, entries on the course—Mr. Hunter.

No entry will be received unless the entrance and bookage are paid at the same time. Bookage fee, 5s.

STEWARDS.

The Glynwood Hunt Challenge Cup, value 100 sovs, presented by John Longworth, Esq., added to a Sweepstakes of 5 sovs each, p p and 10 sovs added, 1 sov entrance. About three miles over the Garrycastle steeplechase Course. For all horses that have been hunted with Mr. Longworth's Hounds, four times during the season, previous to the day of entry. Weight for age and conditions as per bills. Gentlemen riders. Horses to take their age from 1st May; to close and name with R. J. Hunter, as above.

Garrycastle Handicap, 5 sovs; 3 ft in case of acceptance, £100 added by Mr. Longworth. About three miles over the Garrycastle Course. Each person to pay 2 sovs, at times of entering, to go to the Fund. Winner to pay 5 sovs towards expenses. Horses to be named and entered with R. J. Hunter, as above. Second horse to save his stake.

A Selling Race of 5 sovs each; 25 sovs added; 1 sov entrance. About one and a half mile heats. Weight for age and allowances as per bills. Winner to pay 3 sovs towards expenses. Beaten horses any sum at the post.

MARCH 20.

Miland Great Western Railway Plate, £30—£20 added to 5 Sweepstakes of 3 sovs each; 1 sov entrance. About three miles. Weight for age as per bills. Winner to pay 3 sovs towards expenses, second horse to save his stake.

Athlone Handicap of 5 sovs each, h ft; 50 sovs added by the Merchants and Traders of Athlone; 1 sov entrance. About one and a half mile heats. Winner to pay 5 sovs towards the expenses. The entry fee entitles the weights are declared, either £40, to be £40 out of £75, 9lbs; or £100, 12lb. Horses to be named and entered with R. J. Hunter, as above. Second horse to save his stake. Consolation Stakes of 2 sovs each; 1 sov entrance; £30 added; for all the beaten horses of the meeting, carrying 10st 7lb. Second horse to receive £5. About mile and a half heats.

*** The Rules are printed bills.

NOTICE.—TO MISS BYRNE, late of Cabinteely. Undoubted information has been procured as to the author of Byrne; and if a libel is forward be offered, the guilty party (one who married a sister motives acted, but whose from his position could not be made amenable to the law for the offence.

Public Notices.

IN CHANCERY.

In the Matter of William Fox, and Mary his wife, and Patrick Johnston, and Margaret his wife, Petitioners; Mary Walsh, Administratrix of James Walsh, and the Reverend Doctor M'Evilly, Respondents.

Cause Petition, under the "Court of Chancery (Ireland) Regulation Act, 1850." Section 15.

WHEREAS James Walsh, late of Sea Road, in the county of the town of Galway, deceased, under and by his last Will and Testament, bearing date the 24th day of January, 1851, and Codicil thereto bearing date the 9th day of December, 1857, bequeathed to his Three Sisters, Mary Ryan, Sally Walsh, and Catherine Walsh, or their children lawfully begotten, if living in Ireland, and his Three Brothers, Thomas, John, and Richard Walsh, or their children lawfully begotten, if living in Ireland at the the time of his death, the sum of £1,500, share and share alike.

Now, Take Notice, that in execution of the order, bearing date the 27th day of January, 1860, I require all persons having claims on said sum of £1,500, and all the Brothers and Sisters of Testator, to come in before me and prove their claims, on or before the 1st day of April next.

Dated this 28th day of February, 1860.

W. BROOKE.

DAVID O'KELLY, Solicitor for Petitioners, No. 24, Eustace-street, Dublin.

TO THE INDEPENDENT ELECTORS OF THE COUNTY OF ROSCOMMON.

GENTLEMEN,

The last election of the County of Roscommon having been declared void, by a Committee of the House of Commons, and a new Election being shortly to take place, I beg to offer myself as a Candidate for your suffrages. Having done my Brother, Thomas W. Goff, the honour of returning him by a large majority, I confidently place myself in your hands.

I concur with him in general upon all the leading political questions of the day. I am an advocate for the Grant to Maynooth, for a liberal measure of Reform, for an equitable adjustment of the relations between Landlord and Tenant, and I deprecate the policy of the present Government, in meddling in the internal affairs of foreign countries.

I am confident that you will, by your votes to be recorded for me, express your entire disapproval of the course adopted by political opponents to unseat my Brother, on the grounds relied on before the Committee, attempting thereby to reflect on the independence of the Constituency.

Gentlemen, in offering myself for your Representative, I submit my claims before you, as closely identified with your County—the interests of which, and your own, it shall be my constant study to consider and advocate.

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen, Your very obedient and faithful servant, CHARLES TALBOT GOFF, Captain 3rd Light Dragoons.

Dublin, 7th March, 1860.

THE ITALIAN QUESTION.

A LECTURE will be delivered by the REV. THOMAS GUARD, OF LISBURN, IN THE METROPOLITAN HALL, On next FRIDAY Evening, March the 9th.

Chair to be taken at Eight o'clock.

Tickets—Sixpence each—can be had at Messrs. ROBERTSON'S, 3, Grafton-street; CARSON'S, 51, Grafton-street; HERBERT'S, 117, Grafton-street; ROWNE and Co., 132, Stephen's-green (west).

THE TOTAL ABSTINENCE QUESTION.— J. B. GOUGH,

This matchless orator, previous to his departure for America, will give his

FAREWELL LECTURE On Saturday Evening Next, in the Metropolitan Hall, At half-past Seven o'clock.

Admission by tickets, One Shilling; up stairs, Sixpence. To be had at the door; Messrs. Robertson, booksellers, Grafton-street and Sackville-street; Messrs. Joshua Edmundson & Co., Capel-street; Messrs. R. Hunt & Co., Westmoreland-street; Messrs. Brown, Craig, & Co., 2, College-green.

F. HUNT, Provisional Secretary.

THE ORPHAN REFUGE, Or PROTESTANT ORPHAN UNION, For the Education and Support of the Destitute Orphans of Mixed Marriages, Founded 1830.

Office—9, UPPER SACKVILLE-STREET.

The Half-Yearly TEA MEETING of the Collectors and Friends of the above Society is unavoidably postponed to This (THURSDAY) Evening, 8th March, in consequence of alterations in the Rotundo.

TEA AT SEVEN O'CLOCK.

Tickets One Shilling Each, except to Collectors of 2s. 6d. and upwards, who will be admitted free.

The Society now maintains and entirely provides for 150 Orphans.

B. GIBSON, Clk. } Hon.
J. H. MONAHAN, Clk. } Secretaries.

The Tickets to be had from the Secretaries of the several Auxiliaries, and at the Office 9 Upper Sackville-street

Auctions.

PUBLIC SALE OF TEA. THOMAS BEWLEY and CO. will offer by Auction, at their Bonded Warehouse, On THURSDAY, the 15th instant, At one o'clock precisely, With all faults, and for account of whom it may concern, 660 PACKAGES of TEA, Just landed ex Jessie Beazley and Valdivia, from China. Catalogues and Sampling Orders will be ready for delivery on Monday, the 12th, on which and the two following days the Teas will be on show.

Apply to THOMAS BEWLEY and CO., Merchants, Dublin; or SAMUEL B. MILLER, Tea Broker, 155, Fenchurch-street, London.

LITERARY SALE-ROOMS; 31, ANGLESEA-STREET, MISCELLANEOUS BOOKS, Embracing a varied and valuable Collection of Works by Eminent Authors, WILL BE SOLD BY AUCTION, IN THESE ROOMS, On To-M orrow, THURSDAY, March 8th, 1860, and following days, Commencing each day at One o'clock.

Among them will be found:—

Cobbett and Howell's State Trials, 34 vols.; Clarke's Commentary, 4 vols.; Hume and Smollett's England, in 4 vols.; Parker Society Publications, 14 vols.; De Sacl's Holy Bible in French, 12 vols.; Walpole's Works, 15 vols.; Clarke's Travels, 11 vols.; Sir E. Tennent's Ceylon, 2 vols.; M'Clintock's Arctic Voyage; Oliphant's China, 2 vols.; Thier's French Revolution, 5 vols.; Newgate Calendar, 4 vols.; the Bedford Correspondence, 3 vols.; Castlereagh Correspondence and Despatches, 12 vols.; Lives from the Clarendon Gallery, 3 vols.; Wills' Lives of Irishmen, 6 vols.; Illustrated Library, 28 vols.; Celtic Society Publications, 40 vols.; Irish Quarterly Review, 4 vols.; Annales de Musee, 16 vols.; Moore's Correspondence, 8 vols.; Works by Thackeray, Lever, Dickins, Moore, Lover, Byron, Matyatt, &c.; Boothroyd's Bible; Henry's Ditto, 6 vols.; Froissart's Middle Ages; Clarendon's Rebellions, 6 vols.; Barrington's Ireland, 2 vols.; Eustatius' Homer, 4 vols.; Pictorial Bible, 2 vols., &c.

H. LEWIS, Auctioneer and Valuator, 31, Anglesea-street.

TO CAR AND CAB PROPRIETORS, JOB-MASTERS, &c., &c.

Beverly Smyth, 30, South Anne-street, having surrendered the Cab and Car business, will sell by Unreserved Auction, on Friday next, the 9th March, two Cabs and four Landau Sniffi, a short time in use—the other by Dawson, Dublin. Also, two Outside Cars and Harness, in perfect order, with licence paid up to July, 1860, together with five horses and two ponys, most of which are young and perfectly sound. Also, a powerful Draught Horse, Float and Harness.

Sale at half-past One o'clock.

F. J. RICHARDSON, Auctioneer, 12, Ranelagh-road.

MAHOGANY BY AUCTION. The Representatives of the late Richard Booth, Esq., having disposed of the interest in their old-established Mahogany and Timber Stores, 35 Golden-lane, to

Mr. GROVES HOLBROOK, by whom, in future, the concerns will be carried on,

I am instructed to offer for Sale, On TUESDAY, 3rd APRIL, At Twelve o'clock precisely,

4,000 feet of prime Honduras Mahogany, in plank and logs; Pencil Cedar, Havana Cedar, Ash, Birch, Pine Plank, Veneers; also, Nine large prime St. Domingo Table Logs.

The above contain a large proportion of Seasoned Wood, well worth the attention of the trade.

For further particulars apply to J. BARCROFT, BROKER AND MEASURER, 42A, GRAT BRUNSWICK-STREET.

16, ELY-PLACE, STEPHEN'S-GREEN. Sale of Household Furniture, China, Delf, &c., On FRIDAY, the 16th of MARCH, 1860.

MESSRS. BENTLEY have received instructions to Sell by Auction on the premises, No. 16, ELY-PLACE (STEPHEN'S-GREEN), on the above day, the entire Household Furniture and Effects, which comprise a Pianoforte with all the modern improvements, 5½ octaves, and Music Stool, half a dozen Mahogany Balloon-back Chairs in Damask, handsome Lounger in ditto, half a dozen Hair-cloth Parlour Chairs, Mahogany Dining, Loo, Work, and other Tables, Walnut Easy Chair in Green Cloth, Iron Bed Chair, Chiffonier Cabinet, Book-stands (in great variety), Modernlour Lamp, Carpets and Rugs, Fire Irons, Metal Fenders, and Irons, Damask Window Curtains (nearly new) with fancy gilt Headings and Draperies, Knitted ditto, Bed Pulls, Mahogany Glass Case (with minerals), Cases of Curiosities, Window Blinds, Zinc ditto, Hall Table, Oil Cloth, Portable Work and Seat, ditto Pillows and Footstools, Gasaliers, excellent Stair Carpeting and Brass Rods, Drawingroom Mats, Venetian Blinds, Albert Birch Bedsteads and Damask Curtains, Iron Camp Bedstead, Blankets, Quilts, Feather Beds, Bolsters, and Pillows, Wardrobes, Toilet Tables, Washhand Stands, and Toilet Ware, Mahogany Commodes, ditto Dressing Glasses, Cane Chairs, Foot Pans, Stretcher Beds, Kitchen Tables, a Set of good Dish Covers, Argentine Egg Stand, a quantity of China, Glass, Delf, Dinner Ware complete, Crockery Ware, Culinary and other articles, &c., &c.; also a Lot of Books.

Sale to commence at Twelve o'clock.

BENTLEY AND SON, Auctioneers, &c., 110, Grafton-street.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, AT KILBOY'S HOTEL, GALWAY, On Wednesday, 28th day of MARCH, at the hour of Two o'clock in the Afternoon, by order of HENRY BROWN, Esq., of No. 2, College-Green, Dublin, Liquidator of the Royal Irish Fisheries Company (Limited).

Lot No. 1.

All the Estate, Right, Title, and Interest of JAMES EDWARD STOPFORD, Esq., as Managing Director of said Company in a plot of Ground store and Premises on the Merchant's Road, leading from Eyre-square to the New Quay in the county of the town of Galway, containing in front to said road 54 feet, including half the party walls on the east and west sides; in the rear 60 feet, and in depth, from front to rear, on the east side 140 feet, and on the west side 134 feet, be the said several admeasurements more or less, with Steam-saw Mills on the premises.

Lot No. 2.

A most valuable Plot of Ground fronting the new Floating Dock, containing 150 feet lineal frontage to said dock, and adjoining Mr. Yorke's holding.

Lot No. 1, as held under lease dated 27th September, 1820, for three lives (all in being) or 61 years, from 25th March, 1817, at a yearly rent of £5 17s. Irish, equivalent to £5 8s. British currency.

A large sum has been expended on this Lot in the erection of Stores, Ball Loft, and other conveniences, suitable for ship building, for which, or any other line of business requiring room, the concerns are well circumstanced. The late owner paid £250 for the interest in the lease, and expected since upwards of £300 on the concerns.

Lot No. 2 is held under agreement for a lease from the Galway Harbour Commissioners, and the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland, for a term of 99 years; yearly rent, £16 5s.

This Lot, by reason of its fronting the new Floating Dock, where ships of the largest tonnage can lie, its proximity to, and being in line with the extensive building in course of erection by the Great Western and Atlantic Steamship Company, renders it a most valuable plot for any business requiring space. The whole is also forms part of the rear boundary of Lot No. 1, which, if taken with it, would afford a double front.

The foregoing lots will be sold together or separately.

The abstract of Title and Conditions of Sale can be seen at the office of the Liquidator, No. 2, College-green, or of his Solicitor, J. T. Scallan, Esq., Chambers, 9, Westmoreland-street, or at the Office of L. STAUNTON, Auctioneer, Galway.

N.B.—The Liquidator has received notice that an application will be made to Parliament for the Galway Junction Pier line of Railway to run through Lot No. 1.

Landed Estates Court.

CITY OF DUBLIN.

In the Matter of Anne Grant, Robert Lloyd, and Joshua Clarke, John Haigh Scott, and A. J. H. Scott, his Wife, and William Lloyd and Henry D'Olier Grant, Owners; Ex parte The Reverend Louis Perrin and John Hatchell, Esq., Petitioners.

TO BE SOLD by the Landed Estates Court, ON FRIDAY, 16th of MARCH next, at Noon, at the Court, in the City of Dublin, the following HOUSES and PREMISES, situate in Lower Mount-street, in the City of Dublin, all held under a lease for 149 years, from 1810, but indemnified against head-rent, as stated in the printed rental and particulars, viz.:—

LOT 1. The House and Premises, No 92, Lower Mount-street, producing an Annual Rent of £25, and let to a tenant for a term of five years.

LOT 2. The House and Premises, No. 93, Lower Mount-street, producing an Annual Rent of £28, and let to a tenant from year to year.

LOT 3. The House and Premises, No. 94, Lower Mount-street, producing an Annual Rent of £30, and let to a tenant for a term of ten years, from August, 1858.

R. DENNY URLIN, Examiner.

Dated this 8th day of February, 1860.

For Rentals and further particulars apply at the Landed Estates Court, Dublin; to

Messrs. A. and H. A. BATE, 61, Upper Sackville-street; JOSEPH KELLY, Esq., Solicitor, 55, Blessington-street; or, Messrs. HENRY and JOHN WATSON, Solicitors for the Petitioners, having Carriage of the Order for Sale, 90, Harcourt-street, Dublin.

LANDED ESTATES COURT. COUNTY OF DUBLIN.

ESTATE OF ELIZABETH HUTTON, Widow, and OLYMPIA HUTTON, Spinster, Owners and Petitioners.

The LANDED ESTATES COURT will, On FRIDAY, the 20th day of APRIL, 1860, at the hour of Twelve o'clock at noon, at the Court, in the city of Dublin, Sell the following Lots, held in fee-farm, as described in the printed rental and particulars, viz.:—

LOT No. 1—Part of the Lands of UPPER CHURCHTOWN, in the parish of Taney, half-barony of Rathdown, and county of Dublin, containing 16a. 1r. 25p. statute measure, of the yearly value of £155 11s. 8d, subject to the fee-farm rent of £71 7s 9d, leaving a clear yearly profit-rent of £83 3s 11d.

LOT No. 2—Part of the Lands of LOWER CHURCHTOWN, in the parish of Taney, and half-barony of Rathdown, and county of Dublin, containing 4a. 3r. 6p. statute measure, of the yearly value of £30 1s, and indemnified against head-rent.

LOT No. 3—Part of the Lands of LOWER CHURCHTOWN, situate as aforesaid, and containing 6a. 2r. 27p. statute measure, of the yearly value of £51 2s 11d, and indemnified against head-rent.

LOT No. 4—Part of the Lands of LOWER CHURCHTOWN, situate as aforesaid, and containing 4a. 3r. 25p. statute measure, of the yearly value of £74 4s. and indemnified against head-rent.

Dated this 22nd day of February, 1860.

R. DENNY URLIN, Examiner.

DESCRIPTIVE PARTICULARS.

The Lands to be sold in this matter are possessed of peculiar advantages for building terraces or detached villa residences, being situate a short distance from the Dundrum Station of the Dublin and Wicklow Railway, and having a large extent of frontage to the adjoining roads.

The Lands are situate on the road leading from Clawson's-bridge to the main road from Dundrum to Rathfarnham, and Lot No. 1 partly fronts to the latter road.

For rentals and other particulars, apply to Messrs. ABBOTT and MOORE, Solicitors having carriage of the proceedings, 56, Lower Gardiner-street; And at the Landed Estates Court, No. 14, Henrietta-street, Dublin.

Insurances.

THE FAMILY ENDOWMENT LIFE ASSURANCE AND ANNUITY SOCIETY. ESTABLISHED 1835. Empowered by Special Act of Parliament, 6 Will. IV., Sess. 1836.

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GLOUCESTER-STREET SCHOOLS.—A Sale of Work will be held in the School-house, Lower Gloucester-street, (the Lord permitting), on Friday and Saturday, the 30th and 31st of March, from Eleven till Five o'clock, for the support of this long-established Scriptural Institution, consisting of a preparatory Male, Female, and Infant School, entirely depending on voluntary contributions, and the annual sale of the children's work. A great variety of useful articles of Clothing, and Clothing for the poor will be sold at moderate prices.
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IRISH CHURCH MISSIONS TO ROMAN CATHOLICS. A MEETING for PRAYER will be held (God willing), in the Corrig-avenue Mission-room, on This (THURSDAY) EVENING, March 8, at Half-past Seven o'clock. You are invited to come.

The dying thief rejoic'd to see
That fountain in his day;
And there may I, as vile as he,
Wash all my sins away.

Atoning Lamb, thy precious blood
Shall never lose its pow'r,
Till all the ransom'd Church of God
Be sav'd to sin no more.

IRISH CHURCH MISSIONS TO THE ROMAN CATHOLICS. Roman Catholic Friends, come to the discussion in the Coombe Class, Skinner's-alley, on THURSDAY EVENING, March 8, 1860, at Half-past Seven o'clock.

President—Rev. H. C. Eade, M.A.
Subject—"Are Adoration of Relics and bowing down to Images lawful for Christians?"

See the contrast between the Missal and Dr. Cullen's Bible:—
"Arthem—Behold the wood of the cross, on which hung the Salvation of the world."
"Response.—Come, let us adore."—*Mass for Good Friday—Missal.*
"The Lord spoke all these words . . . Thou shalt not make to thyself a graven thing, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, &c. Thou shalt not adore them, nor serve them."—Ex. xx. 1, 4, 5, Dr. Cullen's Bible.

Do Roman Catholics really worship or *adore* the cross or crucifix, or Him who is represented thereby? Hear *St.* Thomas Aquinas, who justifies himself for giving to the wooden cross the same worship as he gave to Almighty God Himself!!!—
"We offer the supreme adoration of *Latria* to that Being in whom we place our hope of salvation; but we place *our hope of salvation in the cross of Christ*; for the Church sings, '*Hail, Ocross, our only hope in this time of suffering; increase righteousness to the pious, and grant pardon to the guilty. Therefore, the cross, the cross of Christ, is to be adored with the supreme adoration of* LATRIA!"—*Thomas Aquinas, Theol. Sum.* part ii. Rome, 1655, qu. xc. 25, art. 1-4; and see *Lib.* iii., *Dist.* ix., *Salut.* iv., Venice, 1580.

In the *Roman Pontifical* we find the same practice directed—"The cross of the Legate, *because Latria is due to it*, shall be on the right hand, and the sword of the Emperor on the left."—*Pont. Rom. Ordo. ed R.I.*

Yet in Dr. Cullen's Bible we read:—
"Little children, keep yourselves from idols."—1 John, v. 21.
"Idolaters shall not possess the kingdom of God."—1 Cor. vi. 10,
"Idolaters shall not possess the kingdom of the Bible.
Roman Catholic Translation of the Bible.
Roman Catholics are earnestly and affectionately invited to attend.

MONEY MARKET AND COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

(WRITTEN SPECIALLY FOR THE IRISH TIMES.)

Dublin, Wednesday Evening.

Prices are without alteration. Consols were 94¼ for both money and account in London this morning; subsequently they were a shade lower, and remained the entire day without change. The uncertain condition of Continental politics still sways the market, and prevents any upward movement—speculators holding aloof until some definite course is adopted by which an opinion can be arrived at. At present the turn which things may take is so very uncertain that little if any anxiety is shown to do business. The Share markets too, are beginning to partake of the dull character of Funds.

In this market Funds were dull, business limited, and prices down; Consols quoting 93¾ for cash, and one-sixteenth advance for account. City Debentures were dealt in at previous price, and Waterford and Limerick £5 per cent. Debentures of £500 were done at 10s. premium; Bank Stock was rather offered to-day at the last price; Royals, Hibernians, and Nationals were steady at previous quotations, the latter being dealt in at 61½; Atlantic Steam Shares were without change; all other Steam Shares were in much better request, with the exception of Dundalks, which are offered, and would likely be sold at a lower price than the last one.

Mining Shares about the same as yesterday; General Mines, however, were done at an advance, and rather buyers; Mining Company of Ireland are offered at the last price, buyers at 14; Wicklow Coppers are still in demand; Patriotic Insurance were done to-day at the previous price, rather buyers; also buyers of Alliance Gas and Grand Canals.

The only change in Railways is a still further advance in Great Southern and Western Stock, which is to-day done at 114, and steady at the price; Cork and Bandons are rather buyers; Cork and Passage are done at one-eighth reduction, and rather offered; sellers of Belfast Junctions at the last price; Droghedas also might be bought at the last price; buyers of Kingstowns; Dundalks are quoted at 13¾ 14, and might be had at the price; buyers of Irish South Easterns at 7—the dividend will, it is understood, be only 2s. 6d. per share for the half year; buyers of Killarney Midlands steady, and done at previous quotation; Limericks are still sellers; Newry and Warrenpoints were done at one-eighth advance on the last price. Railway Preferences were generally steady. Cork and Bandon £5 10s. per cent. were steady; the £6 per cent. offered. Great Southern and Western 4 per cent. was done at an advance, and Congress at the price.

The Australian mail is delivered. It confirms the last intelligence, but is not quite so gloomy in character. Several failures have taken place, and he markets are still glutted with English goods.

BY MAGNETIC TELEGRAPH.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE—March 7.

OPENING PRICES.		
Consols Money,	... ...	94¼
Account,	... ...	94¼
New Threes,	... ...	94¼
NOON PRICES.		
Consols Money,	... ...	94¼ ⅛
Account,	... ...	94¼
New Threes,	... ...	94¼ ⅛
1 P.M. PRICES.		
Consols Money	... ...	94¼ ⅛
Account	... ...	94¼
New Threes	... ...	94¼ ⅛
2-15 P.M. PRICES.		
Consols Money,	... ...	94¼
Account,	... ...	94¼ ⅛
New Threes,	... ...	94¼ ⅛
CLOSING PRICES.		
Consols Money	... ...	94¼ ⅛
Account,	... ...	94¼
New Threes,	... ...	94¼ ⅛

NOON SUMMARY.—Bank Stock, 222 29; Caledonians, 93¾ ¼ ½; Eastern Counties, 55½; Great Northern, A. 102; Great Westerns, 68¼ ⅜; Grand Trunks, 84; Lancashire and Yorkshire, 98¾; London and North Western, 97¼ ⅜; Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire, 40¼ ½; Midland Stock, 103¾ 9; North British, 61; Lombardo-Venetian, 11¾; South Eastern, 88¾ ½; York, Newcastle, and Berwick, 91½ 2 13; York and North Midland, 75¾ ¼. Consols opened at 94¼ ⅜; declined 94¼ sellers, and are now firm at 94 7-16 9-16, with very little business doing. Indian Loan, 103¼ ¼. Shares opened weak, and prices were a shade easier, but rallied again, and are now steady, at about the closing rates of yesterday. Canadians steady. French unchanged. Luxemburgs, 6¼ ⅛; Turkish New, 62½.

FUNDS AND SHARES.

Exchequer Bills, 23 6; Bank Stock, 229 31; Amberg, Nottingham, and Eastern Junction, 6 8-16th 5-16th; Caledonian, 93¾ ¼; Chester and Holyhead, 51¼ 2; Eastern Counties, 55¼ ⅜; Great Western of Canada, 11½ 12¾; Grand Trunk of Canada, 8¾ ½; Great Northern, 112 14; Lancashire and Yorkshire, 98¾; London and North Western, 96¾ 7½; Leeds Northern, 17 2; Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire, 40¼ ½; North British, 60¾ 1; South Eastern, 88¼; York, Newcastle, and Berwick, 91½; York and North Midland, 75¾ ¾. Consols have been very inanimate all day, and close flat at the lowest rates of the day (94¼ ⅜). Indian, 103¼ 4. Shares close very quiet, and prices have declined, particularly Dovers. Canadians dull. French without change. Rentes come a fraction better.

ENGLISH FUNDS.

City, Wednesday.—Funds flat at last reduction, the unsettled condition of foreign politics continuing to excite attention. Share market languid, and presents no feature of interest.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

(*Times City Article.*)

Tuesday Evening.

Although the discussion of last evening on the Savoy question caused a disagreeable impression, the English funds opened this morning at a fractional improvement, which has been maintained to the close. In foreign Exchanges this afternoon the rates on Amsterdam and Hamburg were slightly lower. The Railway market continues dull, and in the absence of business rather flat.

(*Daily News' City Article.*)

Tuesday Evening.

The funds to-day showed increased heaviness. The closing prices were ¼ per cent. below those of yesterday, an unfavourable impression was produced by the irritating turn taken by the debate in the House of Commons last night. Speculators are waiting for the further developement of foreign politics. In the Share markets the tendency of prices was likewise downwards, but in every department of the Stock Exchange the sales were principally speculative. Demand for money shows no revival. The minimum in the open market continues ½ per cent. below that of the Bank. There were again no operations in bullion at the Bank.

DUBLIN STOCK AND SHARE LIST—March 7.

GOVERNMENT FUNDS.		
3 per Cent. Consols	... ...	97¼
Ditto for new Account, 9th April	...	94¼ 94
New 3 per Cent. Stock	...	93¾ ⅜
Ditto for new Account, 9th April	...	93¾ ⅜
LOCAL DEBENTURES.		
City Debentures, 4 per cent. of £92 6s 2d	...	89½
BANKS.		
National Bank, £25 paid,	... ...	61½
STEAM.		
City of Dublin, £100 paid	... ...	90
MINES.		
General Mining Company of Ireland (Limited) ...	...	4¼
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Patriotic Insurance ...	... ...	5¾
RAILWAY DEBENTURES.		
Wateford and Limerick, 5 per cent. of £500,		100½
RAILWAYS.		
Cork, Blackrock and Passage,	... ...	11¾
Dundalk and Enniskillen,	... ...	13¾ 14 x
Great Southern and Western Stock,	...	114
Midland Great Western,	... ...	53¾
Newry, Warrenpoint and Rostrevor	...	5½
PREFERENCE SHARES.		
Belfast and County Down, 5 per cent perpetual	...	15½ x
Class C	... ...	6½
Cork and Bandon, 5½ per cent. perpetual	...	98½
Great Southern and Western, 4 per cent. perpetual	...	80

On Saturdays business commences at half-past twelve o'clock, and the Stockbrokers' offices are closed at three o'clock.

The next account day for shares will be the 15th March. Names to be furnished on or before the 14th.

PRICES OF IRISH STOCKS.

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Frid.	Sat.
3 per Cent. Consols	94¼		93¾		94	
Ditto for account	94	94¼	93¾ 94	94¼ ⅜		94¼
4 per Cent. Reduced						
New 3 per Cent Stock	93¾	93¾ ⅜	93¾	93¾	93¾	93¾ ⅜
Ditto for account	93¾	93¾ ½	93¾	94¼	93¾	93¾ ⅜
Bank Stock						

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

Diary of Exhibitions, Performances, &c.

(Thursday, March 8th.

Zoological Gardens ... ... Open daily.
Botanic Gardens ... Glasnevin; Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday.

Royal Irish Academy.—Library and Museum open to visiters introduced by members on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays.

Royal Dublin Society.—Library open daily to visiters introduced by members. Natural History Museum; closed for arrangement. School of Art on Fridays; Agricultural Museum, every day, free.

Museum of Irish Industry, Stephen's-green.—Open daily, free.

Concert Room, Rotundo.—For Twelve nights more—Kratky Baschik, the Hungarian Wizard and Musician. Doors open at Half-past Seven, to commence at Eight o'Clock.

Long-Room, Rotundo.—Hamilton's Diorama of Italy Open this evening.

THE THEATRES.

Theatre Royal.—To-night—"Le Nozze di Figaro."
Queen's Theatre.—To-night—"Glisippus; or, the Forgotten Friend;" "Nicholas Nickleby;" to conclude with "Wide-Awake."

HIGH TIDE AT DUBLIN BAR—March 8.
Morning Tide, 11-38. Evening Tide, 11-52.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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The publication of the Irish Times commenced on yesterday morning at 4 o'clock a.m., and terminated at half past 9. The publication of the Second Edition commenced at 12 o'clock p.m., and the Third Edition at 4 o'clock, p.m.

The circulation of the Irish Times for the week ending Saturday, March 3, amounted to 52,416 copies, making an average of 8,736 copies daily.

GENERAL POST OFFICE, DUBLIN.

DESPATCH OF FOREIGN MAILS.

Letters and newspapers may be posted at G. P. O. for the following places, up to the subjoined dates:—

France, Italy, and Switzerland ...	One and Six p.m., daily
Belgium, Holland, and Germany	Six p.m., daily.
Spain and Portugal (S.), America (Portland) (Q.)	Ten a.m., March 8.
Brazil, Monte Video, Buenos Ayres (S)	One p.m., March 8.
Constantinople	Six p.m., March 8.
India (Calcutta), China, &c., *via* Marseilles	Six p.m., March 9.
America (Boston and Newfoundland (Q)	Ten a.m., March 11.
Australia, New Zealand, Mauritius and India (Bombay)	One p.m., March 11.
America (New York) (S) ...	One p.m., March 13.
Constantinople ...	Six p.m., March 14.
America (Portland) (Q) ...	Ten a.m., March 15.
Spain and Portugal (S) West Indies and Pacific (S). ...	One p.m., March 16.
America (New York and Bahamas (Lt)) ...	One p.m., March 18.
Australia, New Zealand, Mauritius, and India (Bombay) *via* Marseilles	Six p.m., March 18.
India (Calcutta), China, &c., (S)	One p.m., March 19.
America New York, (S) ...	Six p.m., March 22.
Constantinople ...	Ten a.m., March 22.
America, Portland, Q ...	Six p.m., March 23.
West Coast of Africa (Lt) ...	Six p.m., March 25.
America (Boston and Bermuda), (Q.)	One p.m., March 26.
India (Calcutta), China, &c., *via* Marseilles	Six p.m., March 26.
India (Bombay) (S.), Spain and Portugal (S.), ...	Ten a.m., March 29.
Constantinople	Ten a.m., March 31.
America (Portland) (Q.) ...	
Newfoundland (G.) ...	

N.B.—Book packets for the Canadas are only forwarded by the Canadian packet. Letters, &c., for Madras and Lower Bengal Presidencies, addressed via Southampton, will, in future, be forwarded only by the Calcutta Packets of the 4th and 20th of each month.

ST. PATRICK'S BALL.

Chamberlain's Office, Dublin Castle, March 7th.

There will be a Full-dress Ball at the Castle on TUESDAY Evening, MARCH the 20th, at Nine o'clock, in celebration of St. Patrick's Day.

The ladies to wear feathers and lappets. No trains. Ladies and gentlemen who have been presented to his Excellency at either of the Levees or Drawing-rooms, and purpose attending the Ball on the 20th, are required to send in their names to the Chamberlain's Office, on or before 12 o'clock on FRIDAY, the 16th of MARCH. They are also required to bring a card with their names and address, to be left with the person appointed to receive it in the corridor. No mourning admitted.

PAGET BUTLER, Chamberlain.

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APRIL MEETINGS. CLERGYMEN attending the Religious Meetings next month are respectfully invited to examine our CLERICAL GREY TROUSERS, at 16s. per pair. They are fully equal, if not superior, to those charged a guinea, and are admirably adapted, both in appearance and quality, for every day wear. Our BLACK DRESS TROUSERS, at 20s., are very fine. Our fine BLACK CLOTH DRESS 20s. are worth 25s. KENNY AND OWENS, MERCHANT TAILORS, 54, DAME-STREET. Introducers of the SCOTCH ANGOLA TROUSERS, 16s., thoroughly shrunk.

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The Irish Times.

DUBLIN, THURSDAY MARCH 8.

That a great city like Dublin should be without a public market, such as the small provincial towns of England possess, is to us incomprehensible. We have magnificent buildings, splendid quays, and noble squares; we have spacious streets and mercantile establishments rivalling Royal palaces, yet our markets are an absolute abomination. Did any of our readers pass through Cole's-lane or Williamstreet market? We know that the occupiers of stalls, in these and other markets, do what they can to enforce some degree of cleanliness. Still there is the narrow passage, with bleeding carcases of sheep dripping for ever on either side; there is the refuse of vegetables, and an effluvia of most ancient and fishlike smells. The rough pavement is ever reeking with damp and blood, and a ray of sunlight never enters to cheer the dismal charnel-house. How any lady can bring herself to visit our markets is a wonder. There are sights and sounds and smells enough to deter the most eager purchaser. How can the people who dwell there over and among these disjointed limbs have health? Fancy young children reared amidst these shapes! How can meat be wholesome when the very air is laden with corruption? and we know, from the doctrine of chemical affinity, how readily and rapidly poisonous decomposition spreads in crowded markets. It is a positive scandal to our city that our wives and daughters should be daily compelled to pass through such Aceldamas. Our Corporation, or, at least, the majority of that body, is struggling earnestly to carry a bill through the House of Commons, which will entail upon the citizens an expense, at the very least, of £150,000 in outlay, and £4,000 annually, for good water. Good water, we know, is a precious thing; but so is good food; and it strikes us that it is rather anomalous to spend so much upon water, of which we have a fair supply, while not a penny will be spent to provide Dublin with a proper market.

Liverpool and Birkenhead, distant a few hours' sail across the Channel, offer to us an example. The Liverpool markets present one of the most attractive and pleasant sights possible. It is quite a pleasure to witness the working-man and his wife, or his young daughter, going from stall to stall, purchasing everything they require, in any quantity, without a single object presenting itself which would cause annoyance. There is no tramping from one end of the town to another, no trudging through muddy streets;—in the one spacious building every article of food may be procured without delay or higgling. Yet these markets return a profit of eleven per cent. as a mere building speculation, irrespectively of the vast good they effect by their convenience and centralisation.

Let any person pass up Patrick-street or Newstreet, not merely upon a market day, but on the Sabbath. There he will see meat discoloured and decomposed, vegetables dry and withered, fish in the last stage of corruption, exhibited in the most disgusting manner for the supply of the poor. This is no picture drawn by the imagination. We have seen the ricketty houses leaning against each other for support, the dark halls and dismal holes in which the workman's food is placed for sale, while round all these hangs a malaria which may be felt. The true reformer is not the man who gains the chance of a bribe for the struggling workman, but he who does his utmost to secure that his food is wholesome and his market decent. We have heard declamation to no end, and professions of benevolence without limit, yet how few of our philanthropists have turned their eyes downwards and looked upon the miseries which wear away the labourer's or workman's life. We leave out of the question all consideration for the rich. They can send their servants or transmit their orders; they are wealthy, and can command a supply of wholesome articles. We speak for the poor, and assert that the crying evil of our city is, that food of the worst description is sold to them in the most disgusting manner possible.

Look at the Water question; what an agitation, what meetings, what Parliamentary influence it has commanded! Yet no one has complained of a deficient supply, nor have we proof that our water is of a deleterious quality. But the subject was a grand one; to carry the Corporation schemes into effect would cost a quarter of a million; it afforded a fine opportunity for notoriety and not a little jobbery. But who has taken up the subject of the markets? who has stood forth to propose that ten or twenty thousand pounds should be expended in providing a substitute for the present nuisances which pollute our city? Not one—not a voice has been raised in the Corporation, to advocate the establishment of a cleanly and wholesome market. The public must act independently of the Corporation. They are in debt, and, adopting Mr. Gladstone's plan, are about to clear off the deficit by making it greater. What we are to expect from them is plain from this one fact—they proposed to spend two hundred and fifty thousand pounds to procure water at high pressure, but refused to spend eighty pounds upon a fire-escape to rescue life.

The proposal of the Chancellor of the Exchequer for the abolition of the duty upon paper seems now certain to pass. A short time ago, some powerful opponents of this measure banded together, and for a while seemed likely to overwhelm its friends. Now, however, all appears safe, and a few days more will see this oppressive tax abolished for ever. The last obstacle in the way has now been removed, since the export duty upon French rags, the great impediment to the abolition of the paper-duty, has at length been done away. Now, rags, the raw material of paper, are scarce in England, but plentiful in France, and the difference of the supply in the two countries is so great that the raw material is in France 50 per cent. cheaper than it is with us. French paper, therefore, is in France proportionately cheap. But a heavy duty has hitherto been laid upon the exportation of the raw material from France. It has been argued, and very fairly too, that if the paper-duty in England is abolished, and the export duty upon French rags retained, paper may be imported from France into England and sold here 50 per cent. cheaper than our own manufacturers could sell it. In this way foreign would undersell native produce, and the English paper trade would be ruined. Thus argue its opponents. It will be perceived, however, that their argument hinges entirely upon the fact of the heavy export duty upon French rags. Take away that duty, and their argument falls to the ground at once. This has now been removed. Lord John Russell stated, on Monday night last, that he had communicated with the French Government upon this point, and that they had agreed to propose to the Legislative Council the abolition of the present export duty on rags. This is conclusive: paper will now fall in price, and education and literature receive a new impetus. Our manufacturers will buy French rags 50 per cent. cheaper than before, and will no longer be undersold by the supply of foreign paper.

We publish elsewhere in our columns to-day a report of the Commissioners of Inland Revenue with regard to the repeal of the paper-duties. In it the Commissioners express "their deliberate opinion that "the paper duty is rapidly becoming untenable." The amount of pressure which it causes has often before been made a ground of objection to its continuance. The *inequality* of this pressure forms, however, in the opinion of the Commissioners, a far more valid ground on which to assail it. For example, card-making and pasteboard-making constitute a considerable branch of our manufacturing industry. Card-makers, however, are exempt from Excise survey, while pasteboard-makers are subject to it. The distinction between the two articles is entirely nominal, since they are precisely similar in nature. The duty, however, falls upon one alone. But this is not the only grievance under which pasteboard labours. Scaleboard is its great competitor and opponent; but they do not compete upon equal terms, since pasteboard is subject to duty and scaleboard is free. Boxes of various kinds were formerly made of pasteboard, a more suitable material than scaleboard. Now, however, since the duty has been imposed upon the former, and not upon the latter, the trade in pasteboard has enormously diminished. So great, indeed, has been the difference of the price since the imposition of the duty, that many of our merchants who formerly exported for the foreign market light manufactures in pasteboard boxes now find it cheaper to import these boxes from Germany than to use those made at home. On all boxes so imported from abroad an *ad valorem* duty is paid, and still, in spite of this, the general cost is less.

Again, envelopes are made both by stationers and at paper-mills. The tax, however, does not press equally upon both. The waste-cuttings of the stationer are subject to duty; those at the mill are free, since as no inspection is exercised upon the *process* of paper manufacture, these cuttings at the mill are re-converted into pulp before the charge is made. Once more, artificial parchment is subject to duty; true parchment is free. The process of making artificial parchment is the same as that of making paper, therefore, if paper be taxed, artificial parchment must be so too. "Otherwise," say the commissioners, "we would gladly have abstained from interfering" with this production, which has been almost entirely suppressed by the revenue laws. In fine, then, what must be done? We must either extend to all these materials the duty which already exists upon some, or we must abolish these paper-duties altogether. The former alternative is impracticable, since the commissioners assert that it is "impossible, at the present day, to subject to the "supervision of the exciseman any class of traders "who have hitherto been free from it." The latter alternative is, then, the only one to be adopted, and we trust that, in a few days more, we shall see this measure fully carried ont.

The *Times* on the working of the Purchase System in the Army, and Sir De Lacy Evans' motion on the subject:—

If it be fated that we are to expend fifteen millions a year upon our Army, we may at least have some plausible excuse for requiring that this expensive protection should be of the most perfect character, and in the highest state of efficiency. So far as the men are concerned, this must be obtained by good drilling and good weapons. We believe that we have the best materials to work with. There is excellent authority for thinking that well fed, well supplied, and well drilled Englishmen "can go anywhere and can do anything." The greatest leader which English soldiers have had in modern times has testified that his men got him out of all the difficulties into which his own blunders had betrayed him, and the great antagonist of that great leader has declared that if he had only English troops he could conquer the world. But there was one condition in this complimentary declaration. Napoleon desired English troops, but he also required French officers. This distinction was not a distinction of physical power or of courage, for in our darkest moments there has been no slur thrown upon the energy or enterprise of the English officer. Whatever is to be done he is always forward. Personal danger is to him a notion which it is unprofessional to entertain. No one has ever seen an English force in action who has not been struck by the fact that the English officer puts aside at once all consideration of personal safety, seems to think himself an invulnerable being, and concentrates all his thoughts upon the safety of his men. If he has a doubt about advancing, it is because he fears that he shall lose a certain number of men without obtaining a commensurate advantage; if he determines to retire, it is because he has reasoned out the conclusion that the force he has at his back is not able to effect the particular military purpose in view. If it were proposed to us as a question whether we could lead our soldiers, we should say at once that it is impossible. Among British officers no man dares to lack bravery. It would require infinitely more moral courage to be a coward than it would to be a hero. We could not be better in this respect than we now are. But we are not now in the Middle Ages, when a knight, having his armour well riveted, shook his lance and closed his visor, stuck his spurs into his horse, and rushed into the *melee*. War has become as much a science as chemistry. It is not a question who can hammer hardest at an enemy in his front, but who best knows the science by which an opposing mass of armed humanity can be outmanœuvred and broken. We want not only strong nerves and brave hearts, but also skilled craftsmen, cunning in a science which is only to be worked out by exercised brains.

The problem now proposed is, how are these best to be obtained in the officers of our army? There are three choices put before us—purchase, seniority, and selection. Each of these has its advantages and its disadvantages. Purchase gives us men of good blood, and good standing in society—men who dare not be cowards, and who are certain to be dashing and brave—good gentlemen and brave cavaliers. If there were no such things as Armstrong guns and strategic tactics, they would ride over anything, and lead their men against any odds. Seniority also has its advantages. It consolidates a profession. A man goes into it with a certainty that he will live up to high rank or will die in the road to rank. But, then, the long-lived fool will only grow into a great personage to expose his folly, much magnified by high position. Selection, again, has its advantages. In the artillery and engineers we have commenced by selection and continued by seniority, and in the Ordnance we have given strict force to the seniority rule. In the other parts of our army we have addicted ourselves to the system of purchase, which was, as we might guess, introduced by Charles II., and, although abolished by William III., was revived and ultimately legalised. The tendency of public opinion now is to do away altog

who could be selected more suitable to propose this address than Mr. Byng, member for the important county of Middlesex, the young man upon whom the hopes of the Whigs rest; who is training himself to act, in future times, the part which once Fox so gloriously discharged in doing battle against the Tories; upon whom the mantle of Lord John Russell is to fall, when that great leader is carried out of sight, and leaves his distracted followers at the mercy of the relentless foe—who more naturally could be selected to do the duty of an independent member, and bring forward this notice? But the Government had overaid the mark. The notice of these motions had been put upon the paper between twelve and one o'clock on Friday night or Saturday morning, too late to reach the members of the House of Commons, and the words of Mr. Byng's motion had been studiously concealed from anxious eyes. Accordingly, when Lord Palmerston rose to make the motion of which he had given notice, he found the House in anything but good humour. Mr. (Eothen) Kinglake, a regular supporter of the Government, but who will not give them a minute's peace about Savoy, forgets the usual calm manner which surrounds him, and rousing himself into a fit of virtuous indignation, protests against bungling through the matter in this way, and drawing closer the ties of friendship with the Emperor whilst he was, robber like, with his hand upon his neighbour's throat. The honourable member for Bridgwater was determined not to allow England to lie by and wait until, as Outis in Polyphemus' Cave, it should enjoy the melancholy privilege of being devoured last. Thereupon, the mild Mr. Byng, in the sweetest tones that his silvery voice could give utterance to, and with the blandest smile imaginable, that lit up a face which in Ireland would be called a singing face, mildly assured honourable gentlemen that in hurrying forward this discussion, and in smuggling the notice upon the paper, he had been only consulting their convenience, and—bless his heart, dear soul!—as they were insensible to their creature comforts, he would let them have their own way, and just put off the notice till Thursday. Whereupon, Le Comte De Persigny, who shared the dangers of Napoleon in his misfortunes, and now, as French Ambassador, represents his successes, sitting in the place allotted to Envoys above the clock, looked exceedingly "riled," and bit his nails to the quick, that the fetters which his master had so skilfully forged require yet a little soldering to make them fast, and concealed his agitation by wiping his large forehead with an essenced handkerchief, which served to remind the strangers behind him what a blessing free imported *eau de Cologne* would impart to England, in exchange for a war duty upon tea and sugar. But, the Envoy of France sat it out, and laughed heartily on hearing Lord John—like an inflated frog, with an unnatural croak—giving utterance to language the exact contrary to that which he had delivered himself of a few nights before. Indeed, to do Johnny justice, he speaks *impromptu*, and under the inspiration of the member who precedes him; and so, under Sir Robert Peel's influence, he denounced the Emperor's projects, and hoped he would abandon them in deference to the general sense of Europe; and last night, catching a key-note from Mr. Bright—who, for the first time in his peaceful existence, would have gladly tried a round or two with the gloves with Mr. S. Fitzgerald—he became pugnacious, and protested against these teasing and irritating speeches, which add nothing to the dignity of the House. But the noble lord has not yet heard the end of it; for, on Thursday night, members will return to the charge, and utter stronger protests against the annexation than Lord John Russell's rhetorical figure of the King of Sardinia allowing a blot to rest on his escutcheon would suggest. Lord John now imagines that the Emperor's promises, made in the face of Europe, are to be trusted, though, in his study of French constitutional history, he may remember that 20th of December, 1848, when Louis Napoleon stood, the centre of all eyes, before the Legislative Chamber of France, and took the memorable oath—"In presence of God, and before the people represented by this National Assembly, I swear to remain faithful to the Democratic Republic, one and indivisible, and to fulfil all the duties imposed upon me by the Constitution"—and the *coup d'etat* of 2nd December, 1851, which showed how faithfully he kept his oath. But a cold blast issuing from Printing-house-square seeks to quench the fire of indignation which is rising in England against the Emperor's schemes, and we are exhorted to save the Government of Lord Palmerston by leaving to the hungry Zouave those *wretched mountain tops*. Yes, let the hungry devils but see from the wretched mountain tops the pleasant Italian plains, and the oath of our great ally, made in the face of Europe, is rent to the winds.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer is wonderfully blessed with that faculty called, in Ireland, the "gift of the gab." Last night, to the great surprise of the majority of members present, a Savings Banks Bill was brought in to be read a second time. Mr. Gladstone moved that it be read, and sat down, intending not to say a single word on the subject, but it was no go. Members on all sides protested that the bill was brought in abruptly, and could not be passed over in this way; so, just to gratify his friends, up rose the Chancellor, and in a speech of forty-five minutes, detailed every principle contained in the bill as readily as he had spoken on any matter which he had previously studied. The object of the bill is to remove the deposits in savings banks from the control of the Government.

Mr. Cardwell will, on Thursday night, bring forward, in the House of Commons, his Bill to Amend the Law relating to the Tenure and Improvement of Land in Ireland, when the Attorney-General, having secured his seat by the Conservative voters of Cork, will be ready to support the various features of this measure. On the same evening a Mr. Edward Craufurd will call the attention of this enlightened empire to the manner in which our convict establishments in Australia conduct themselves, by asking the select committee on the Corrupt Practices Prevention Act to take evidence as to the working of the system of protected voting in her Majesty's Australian Colonies, with a view to its effect in checking corrupt practices at elections in the United Kingdom. On the last occasion on which the Ballot question was discussed by the House of Commons, a Mr. Childers, who has been recently elected member for Pontefract and had filled a post in one of the Australian Colonies similar to that occupied by the Chancellor of the Exchequer at home, being called on by some of the members who sit on the Liberal side of the House to detail his experience of the workings of the ballot, made a very able speech, which commanded attention, independently of the merits of the arguments advanced. Since then this gentleman is looked up to by the supporters of the Ballot as a kind of demigod, and is put forward as a coming man, should any vacancy in a Liberal Administration allow room for the exercise of his abilities.

Fashionable Intelligence.

LONDON, WEDNESDAY.

The Duke de Nemours visited her Majesty at Buckingham Palace.

The Prince Consort rode on horseback in the forenoon. His Royal Highness, attended by Colonel the Hon. A. Hardinge, visited Prince Frederick of the Netherlands at Claridge's Hotel in the afternoon.

The Queen and Prince Consort, accompanied by Prince Alfred, honoured the performance at Covent-garden Theatre last evening with their presence. The royal suite consisted of the Countess of Caledon, Hon. Caroline Cavendish, Viscount Torrington, Lord Alfred Paget, and Colonel the Hon. A. Hardinge.

Viscount Torrington and General Sir Edward Bowater have succeeded Lord De Tabley and the Hon. M. Sackville West as the Lord and Groom in Waiting to the Queen.

Prince Frederick of the Netherlands and the Duke de Nemours visited the Duchess of Kent yesterday at Buckingham Palace.

The Earl and Countess of Eglinton and Winton have arrived at Grillon's Clarendon Hotel, Albemarle-street, from Scotland.

The Countess of Desart has arrived at the Bilton.

The Countess of Erroll has been safely delivered of a daughter at Slains Castle, Aberdeenshire. Her ladyship and the infant are progressing favourably.

The Right Hon. Colonel and Lady Louisa Tighe have left Woodstock for Shankhill Castle, on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Aylward.

Lord James Butler has returned to his residence, Euston-square, London, from Hythe, where his lordship, as a Volunteer Corps officer, went through a sixteen days' course of instruction, and gained a first-class.

Lord and Lady Arundel of Wardour are spending the season at Wardour Castle, their seat near Salisbury.

Church.

The Lord Bishop of Cork, Cloyne, and Ross held an Ordination in the Cathedral of St. Fin Barr, Cork, on Sunday, March 4th, at which the following gentlemen, all Graduates of Trinity College, Dublin, were ordained:—

For the United Diocese: Priest—Rev. John Harding Cole.

Deacon—James Clarke.

And on Letters Dimissory: Priest—Rev. Thomas Charles Dudley, from his Grace the Archbishop of Dublin. Deacons—Francis Carr, from the Lord Bishop of Killaloe; Robert H. Brennan, from the Lord Bishop of Down and Connor; William Percy Robinson, from the Lord Bishop of Kilmore; Richard Edward Fletcher, from the Lord Bishop of Limerick.

The Sermon was preached by the Rev. Henry Constable, Prebendary of Desertmore.

Army.

Captain O'Callaghan, District Inspector of Musketry, last week visited and reported most favourably upon the proposed rifle range near Castlecomer, so that we presume the preparations for rifle practice there will be now made without further delay.—*Kilkenny Moderator.*

Lieutenant Fortescue, Fourth Battalion of 60th Rifles, left our city on Tuesday, on leave of absence; and Ensign Terry is expected to join the division of the regiment here, immediately, from the depot, at Winchester.—*Ibid.*

The War Department having decided on employing in the public establishments those wounded and disabled soldiers who have recently been formed into a body called commissionaires in the metropolis, the Commander-in-Chief, who highly approves the proposed plan, has issued an order directing that those commanding officers who may be in want of messengers or office-keepers are to apply to the Adjutant-General of the Forces, when a selection will be made from the commissionaires, one of whom will be appointed to the office required.

A detachment of fifty-five gunners, belonging to the depot brigade of Royal Artillery, left Woolwich on Monday for Gibraltar, and other detachments are under orders for Malta and Corfu.

Navy.

Her Majesty's paddlewheel steam-vessel Firefly, Master Commander Skead in temporary charge, on Tuesday left Woolwich for Greenhithe to adjust compasses in preparation for her voyage to Malta, where she is to supply the place of the Tartarus, paid off by Captain Mansell, who will transfer his pennant to the Firefly, for surveying service in the Mediterranean.

The Mars, 80, screw, Captain Strange, sailed from Spithead at daylight on Tuesday to join the Channel Fleet. A number of her crew are reported absent.

The Euryalus, 51, screw, Captain Tarleton, C.B., was on Tuesday taken into the steam basin at Portsmouth for the purpose of having her boilers taken out. Her crew will be paid wages and granted leave ashore.

The Bacchante, 51, screw frigate (new), sister to the Shannon, on Tuesday steamed out of Portsmouth harbour, in charge of Captain George T. Gordon, commanding the steam reserve at Portsmouth, and proceeded to the trial ground in Stokes Bay to make her official trial of speed at the measured mile. The ship proved very steady under steam, and the trial was considered by the different officials on board to have been of an extremely satisfactory nature.

Constabulary.

N. B. Galway, Esq., Sub-Inspector, proceeded on Tuesday from our city to Dublin, *en route* for Hythe, to go through a course of rifle instruction. Head-constable Timothy and Constable Coughlan, who previously were under orders to go to Hythe, from this county, have not now been sent there.—*Kilkenny Moderator.*

Thanks.

From the committee of the New Molyneux Asylum and Church for Blind Females:—Mrs. Hardwick, Molesworth-street, collection, £20; Miss Goldsmith, Sackville-street, collection, £10 16s 6d; Per F. Churchill, Stephen's-green, £5; Captain R. J. Otway, R.N., Castle Otway, county Tipperary, £10; Mrs. S. Garnett, Arch Hall, collection, £4 18s; A. A. Punlop, Esq., Baggot-street, collection, £13 17s 6d; Mrs. Cary, Ely-place, collection, £3 15s; Rev. Thos. Scott, Barnane, £6 12s 6d; Miss Moloney, Fitzwilliam-square, £10; John Clibborn, Esq., Royal Bank, £10; Miss Maberg, Mountpleasant-square, collection, £6 14s. 8d; Henry Bewley, Esq., Willowpark, £10.

THEATRE ROYAL.

In consequence of the slight indisposition of Mdlle. Piccolomini, the opera of "La Figlia del Reggimento," which had been announced, could not be performed last evening. The disappointment occasioned by the non-appearance of the *prima donna* was, in a measure, compensated for by the production of Verdi's "Il Trovatore," in which Madame Rudersdorff sustained the part of *Leonora*, and sang its exquisite music with fine expression and effect. Signor Aldighieri was, in good voice, and frequently elicited the applause of the audience. The singing of Madame Borchardt, as the *Gipsy* was as plaintive and full of feeling as usual. Signor Belart did not appear in the opera, and the part of the *Trovatore* had to be allotted to Signor Allara.

Upon this (Thursday) evening the grand opera of Mozart, "Le Nozze Di Figaro," will be performed, Mdlle. Piccolomini appearing as *Susanna*.

LATEST NEWS.

(BY MAGNETIC TELEGRAPH.)

IRISH TIMES OFFICE.
Four o'clock, a.m.

FRANCE AND SARDINIA.

TURIN, MARCH 7.—A note from Count Cavour, addressed to M. Nigra, Paris, dated 29th February, has been published in reply to the message of M. Thouvenel to Baron Talleyrand. As these proposals originate with a Government which has so much right to expect the gratitude of Sardinia, the Sardinian Cabinet is naturally disposed to give them the most favourable reception; but the Government of his Majesty is, nevertheless, convinced that these proposals will meet with serious difficulties in their execution which it would not be in the power of the Sardinian Government to vanquish. Immediately after the peace of Villafranca, this solution would have been accepted by Central Italy without reluctance. It is not the case at the present moment. The Sardinian Cabinet will transmit to Central Italy the proposals of France, the Government of which country will, probably, consult the nation by means of universal and secret suffrage. The proposal of a vicarate will meet with absolute resistance on the part of the inhabitants of the Romagna. Count Cavour believes that the objects of France would be attained if the annexation were to take place on the conditions imposed on the King of Sardinia to recognise the superior sovereignty of the Pope, and to engage himself to co-operate, even by armed force, in maintaining the independence of the Holy See, and to contribute, in a certain degree, to the expenses of the Court of Rome.

The proposition relative to Tuscany cannot be equivocal in the form in which it will be presented to the popular vote. Whatever be the answer which the States of Central Italy may give the Government of the King of Sardinia will accept beforehand the eventuality of the annexation, and the Government of the King takes upon itself the immense responsibility attached to it. He is convinced that if he rejects the demand of Tuscany for annexation, the Cabinet of the King would lose all moral authority in Italy, and would find itself reduced to govern by force. Count Cavour adds some reflections on the proposition to restore to Tuscany her autonomy. He reserves to another despatch the consideration of the arguments which do not relate to Central Italy, and concludes by stating that the reasons put forth will prove to M. Thouvenel that he cannot defend the solution which he proposes. A copy of the despatch is to be given to the French Minister for Foreign Affairs.

AMERICA.

QUEENSTOWN, WEDNESDAY.—The Liverpool, New York, and Philadelphia s.s. Kangaroo arrived here this morning, at 10 a.m., and proceeded to Liverpool immediately. She brings dates from New York to the 25th ult. The s.s. Vigo arrived out on the 24th.

COMMERCIAL.

The dealings in stocks yesterday were firmer on State securities, and irregular on the share list. New York Central closed as on Thursday, 70½ to 71 per cent.; Pacific Mail was higher, and Hudson's River lower by ½ to 1 per cent. each; exchange on Paris fell back ½ per cent., and on London the top rate was 109 per cent.; no change in money.

The Sub-Treasury disbursed about 400,000 dols. for Post-office account.

Sales of cotton comprised 1,500 bales, part *in transitu*, a steady prices. The principal kinds of breadstuffs were in fair demand at buoyant rates; provisions less active; hog produces were depressed; groceries were more freely offered they were in demand, but at irregular rates; fish, hops, naval stores, oil, and whiskey, were quiet; hay, leather, Scotch pig iron, lead, teas, and tobacco, were in request. The movements in other branches of trade were restricted.

INCREASED LIBERTY OF THE PRESS IN TUSCANY.

FLORENCE, WEDNESDAY.—A Government order has been issued to-day, suppressing all former decrees which might tend to modify or restrain the liberty of the press on political matters.

PRUSSIA.

BERLIN, 7TH FEB.—The journey made on Sunday last by Prince Charles, brother of the Prince Regent, to the Dowager Empress of Russia at Nice, had no political object, being undertaken merely upon private family affairs. It is stated in reliable quarters that Russia will continue her passive policy, and that it is untrue that she has entered into negociations with Austria.

HER MAJESTY'S RECEPTION OF THE VOLUNTEERS.

From an early hour yesterday morning St. James' was alive with preparation for her Majesty's reception of the officers of the various Volunteer corps throughout the country. Her Majesty the Queen, and Prince Consort, habited as Colonel Captain-General of the Hon. Artillery Company, proceeded direct from Buckingham Palace to St. James', accompanied by the Prince of Wales, habited as a colonel of the Oxford Rifle Corps, to which he was on Tuesday night gazetted. First in the order of those who arrived at the palace were the Artillery and Engineer officers, and Mounted Rifles, who were followed by the officers of Rifle corps, according to priority of formation.

The Duke of Hamilton, Viscount Ranelagh, Lord Badlocke (?), Lord Elcho, Earl Spencer, the Lord Provost of Edinburgh, the Lord Advocate, Earl Cowper, the Marquis of Stafford, and many other noblemen and gentry, were present in the uniform of their respective rifle corps. The scene was one of the most brilliant which has been witnessed for many years. The weather was favourable.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Her Majesty held a Privy Council yesterday afternoon.

Mr. M. Gibson, on Tuesday, will bring in a bill to prevent forging or fraudulent use of trade marks, and to amend the copyright of designs.

In committee on Representation of the People of Ireland Bill, Mr. Blake will move that £4 annual rating, instead of £6 as proposed, shall constitute the qualification for cities and boroughs.

The Judicial Committee of Privy Council were engaged yesterday morning in hearing an appeal of the Rev. Alfred Poole, formerly of St. Barrabas, against the decision of the Archbishop of Canterbury, who had confirmed a decision of the Bishop of London for suspending him.

FRENCH FUNDS.

PARIS, WEDNESDAY, 3-20 P.M.—Bourse remains dull; prices tend downward. Rentes close at 67-85, or ½ lower than yesterday.

PARTIAL DESTRUCTION OF THE NEW SOUTH-WESTERN RAILWAY STATION.

The new railway station of the South-Western Company, attached to the terminus in the Waterloo Road, has been partially destroyed during the heavy gale of Tuesday night.

The building was in course of erection, and the whole of the massive woodwork of framing fell with a tremendous crash. Damage is estimated at upwards of £300 No lives lost.

GREAT FIRE IN LONDON.

A great fire was discovered yesterday, at Messrs. Swipper and Easts, wholesale stationers, Tower-street. The property destroyed is valued at several thousand pounds.

THE COLLIER STRIKE.

GLASGOW, WEDNESDAY.—The iron masters, at their meeting to-day, agreed to keep out a fourth of their furnaces till Dixon's men gave in, and to supply Dixon with coals to enable him to put in three-fourths of his furnaces.

HOUSE OF COMMONS—YESTERDAY.

The House met at 12 o'clock.

The members appointed to try the merits of the petition against the return of Mr. Luke White, at the last election for Clare, were sworn at the table. The members were—Lord Stanley, chairman; Mr. Slater Booth, Sir P. Egerton, Mr. Walter, and Mr. Buckstone.

CHINA.

Mr. B. COCHRANE gave notice that to-morrow (Thursday) he should ask the Secretary for Foreign Affairs whether he had any objection to lay on the table all the correspondence between Mr. Bruce and the Government, with relation to the recent proceedings in China?

THE ADDRESS TO HER MAJESTY.

Mr. M. MILNES gave notice that, on the motion of the hon. member for Bridgwater, he should move to leave out all the words after annexation of Savoy and Nice to France, for the purpose of inserting these words:—"Humbly expressing to her Majesty the deep regret of this House at the agitation of a question affecting the frontier of a great State, defined and secured by the consent of Europe, on apparently insufficient grounds, humbly asking her Majesty that this House will earnestly support her Majesty's Ministers in conducting the negociations on this question to an issue compatible with the true interests of France, of Switzerland, and of Italy, with the faithful observance of treaties, and with the maintenance of the peace of Europe."

WITHDRAWAL OF THE REGISTRATION OF VOTERS BILL.

The Registration of Voters Bill, which stood for second reading, was opposed by Mr. E. James and the Government, and was ultimately withdrawn,

Sir G. C. LEWIS intimating that the Government had themselves in contemplation a measure for the consolidation of the laws affecting the whole machinery of elections, beginning with the issue of the writ and ending with the withdrawal of the petition.

THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT BILL.

The Public Improvement Bill went through committee.

THE CORONERS (NO. 2) BILL.

On the motion for the second reading of the Coroners (No. 2) Bill,

Mr. E. JAMES moved, as an amendment, to refer the entire matter to a select committee.

Sir G. C. LEWIS opposed the bill, observing that he himself had introduced a bill, giving a right of appeal, when the magistrates had disallowed the fees, to the Court of Queen's Bench. The present bill permitted a reference to the Home Secretary, who was authorised to charge the coroner's salary on the county rate. This was a new principle in which he could not concur.

After some discussion, in which reference to a select committee was strongly urged,

Sir G. C. LEWIS agreed to that course;

Mr. COBBETT, who had the charge of the Bill No. 2, likewise consenting.

The amendment was then agreed to.

THE SPIRITS (IRELAND) BILL.

The Spirits (Ireland) Bill passed through committee.

The other business was then disposed of, and

The House adjourned at 10 minutes' to 4 o'clock.

LONDON WOOL SALES, FEB. 7TH.—Full average number of buyers has been in attendance to-day, both from manufacturing districts and from Continent. Generally speaking, bidding ruled steady, and all descriptions of wool have realised previous quotations. Selling brokers were Messrs. Southey & Son.

LONDON TALLOW MARKET, MARCH 7.—Market is quiet to-day, at 60s. to 59s. 6d. spot and month; 55s. 9d. April to June; 53s. 6d. to 53s. 9d. last three months. The duty is off this morning, and tallow clear.

LIVERPOOL PRODUCE MARKET, MARCH 7.—The sugar market is quiet but firm; a cargo of 1,000 tons Mauritius sold, to arrive, for Bristol, at 42s., floating landed. Rice unaltered; 400 bags Bengal sold at 12s. for middling old. Pepper—100 bags Singapore sold at 43s. 8d.; cassia—100 cases Singapore have been placed at 95s. from Bushby & Co.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET, MARCH 7.—Market without change. Sales probably about 6,000 or more; imports 11,953 (previously, 87,858.

SALFORD CATTLE MARKET, MARCH 7.—There was a very heavy trade for beasts and sheep, and a great many were left unsold. Supply of beasts, 1,960; sheep, 8,540; calves, 341. Prices—Beef, 6½d; middling, 5½d to 6d; inferior, 4d to 5d. Sheep—Best wedders in wool, 8½d to 8¾; middling, 7½d; ewes, 6d to 7d; best wedders clipped, 6½d to 7d; calves, 6d to 7½d.

GLASGOW CORN MARKET, MARCH 7.—About the usual attendance of buyers to-day; wheat quiet but firm at last week's rates; Scotch a turn dearer; flour in retail request; Hamburg 6d cheaper; barley scarce, and sold at the extreme rates of last week; beans and peas against sellers; oats firm. Some few sales have taken place for shipment to Ireland, which is quite a new feature in the trade. Oatmeal quiet, at 35s to 36s.—Messrs. Bald's Circular.

SHIPPING.

QUEENSTOWN—Arrived—Bohemian (s.) Portland to Liverpool, and proceeded; Her Majesty's Sansparell, Plymouth. Off—John Barrow, Callao, went to Kirkcaldy; E. Sherman, Mobile. Sailed—Septimus, Limerick; Emerald, Ballina; Rebecca, London; Wreath, Glasgow; Good Speed, Liverpool; Young Eagle, Liverpool.

THE PRIMATE'S LETTER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

DEAR SIR,—Will you kindly permit me to add to my letter of yesterday the following postscript:—The whole question may be reduced to the following:—Is it wrong, or is it not wrong, to join the National Board? If it is not wrong, let us do so at once; we have no need of the Church Education Society. But, if it is wrong, then the Primate's advice is simply this—"Do right as long as you can, and then do wrong." Never let us accept such morality. "Let us do right as long as we can, and if ever this is impossible, then do nothing."—Your obedient servant,

A CLERGYMAN OF THE DIOCESE OF FERNS.

NORTH DUBLIN UNION—YESTERDAY.

The usual weekly meeting of the board was held yesterday—

H. J. M'FARLANE, Esq., in the chair.

The following guardians were present:—Captain Lindsay, D.L., J.P.; Messrs. T. Arkins, Thomas Cosgrave, J. M. Hyndman, W. Graham, J. Archbold, G. Thorp, H. Ingram, E. Hogan, Thomas Dooley, B. Norwood, J.P.; W. Young, H. Robinson, P.L.I.

STATE OF THE HOUSE.—Remaining on the previous Saturday, 1,857; admitted during the week, 80; born, 1; discharged, 62; died, 19; remaining on Saturday, March 3, 1,857.

Captain Lindsay said that a committee of the House of Commons had been appointed in 1854 to inquire into the poor removal question. That committee had taken a great deal of evidence, and if some of the suggestions contained in their report had been framed into an Act of Parliament, much good would have been effected. He (Captain Lindsay) would beg to throw out the following few suggestions on the point:—1st, That there should be no removal after a residence of three years; 2d, That any person removed should be conducted to the union nearest to his or her place of birth by the officer of the union sending her away, and that he should be provided with a copy of the evidence in relation to the cause of such removal, for the information of the poor law officer or board of guardians to which the removal is made; 3d, That a proper mode of conveyance and shelter should be provided.

Mr. Arkins moved that the suggestions of Captain Lindsay should be adopted by the board, and embodied in a petition to the House of Commons.

After some discussion this was agreed to, and the board adjourned.

THE NEW HOLYHEAD AND KINGSTOWN STEAMERS.—The launch of the Leinster, one of the new boats to run between Holyhead and Kingstown, took place at Poplar on Tuesday. Lady Jane Repton broke the bottle and named the vessel. The Messrs. Samudas gave a very handsome breakfast to 170 persons, amongst whom were the Earl of Bessborough, Earl of Erne, Marquis of Stafford, Mr. Cardwell, Colonel Verner, Colonel French, Mr. Maguire, Col. Herbert, Mr. Whiteside, Colonel Taylor, Mr. George Macartney, Sir J. Burgoyne, Sir Harry Jones, Sir R. Griffith, Sir C. Roney, Sir J. K. James, &c., &c.

The Siamese Twins are still living in Surrey Co., North Carolina, U.S. At a late revival the wife of Chang was baptised. Chang and Eng seemed to be much concerned for themselves, and requested an interest in the prayers of the minister.

Assize Intelligence.

KING'S COUNTY.
(FROM OUR OWN REPORTER.)
Tullamore, March 6.

CROWN COURT.

John Bermingham pleaded guilty to a charge of having arms in his possession in a proclaimed district.

James Creagh was indicted for attacking the house of John Harmey, along with other persons unknown, on the 22nd May, 1859, and taking therefrom a gun and case of pistols, and for administering an unlawful oath. There were also counts for assault and for common assault.

The prosecutor deposed that he was a woodranger in the employment of Lord Digby, and that the prisoner, with a large party, came to his house on the night in question, and discharged a pistol at him, the contents of which lodged in the thatch; the man then placed his wife and son on the ground, and held pistols to their heads. They next asked him for his gun and pistols, which he gave to them, and they then told him to have the land ready for a person named Harry Kane, and not to have any police there when they should call again; he further stated that one man interfered to protect him, when another of the party snapped a blunderbuss at him.

The witness was cross-examined by Mr. Curran, and admitted that he had refused to identify the prisoner on two occasions, in the jail of Tullamore, and in the jail of Maryborough; he said he had seen him through a glass window, and therefore refused to identify him.

Patrick Harmey, the son of the last witness, gave evidence of a similar character; one of the men put the witness' head to the ground, so that he should not see; he heard the men round about him unlocking the drawers; he also saw a gun taken out of the windows; he could not identify the prisoner.

Julia Harmey, the wife of the prosecutor, confirmed his evidence in everything relating to herself; she identified the prisoner.

She was cross-examined by Mr. Curran.

James Bennett confirmed the evidence of the previous witnesses.

Constable Kennedy deposed to having arrested the prisoner, and found a gun and case of pistols with powder and shot in the house; the district is a proclaimed one.

The witness was cross-examined by Mr. Curran. The arms found were not those which had been taken from Harmey; the prisoner had been acquitted at the sessions of the charge of having the gun, on the ground that it belonged to the steward of Miss Robinson.

Mr. Curran addressed the jury, who found a verdict of Guilty.

John Flynn and Michael Hannon were indicted for attacking a dwellinghouse, and forcing the owner thereof, a Mrs. Balgee, to kneel down, and for administering an unlawful oath, and for shooting a dog.

Mr. Battersby and Mr. Griffith appeared for the Crown.

Mr. Curran defended the prisoner.

The jury found a verdict of Guilty.

Wednesday, March 7.

Timothy Phelan was indicted for forging the acceptance of William Barnett to a bill of exchange.

Mr. Battersby, Q.C., and Mr. Dames appeared for the Bank of Ireland, which prosecuted.

Mr. Curran and Mr. Palles were for the traverser.

Their line of defence was that the acceptances were in the handwriting of William Barnett. Several genuine acceptances of his were produced, some of which he affirmed, and others of which he denied to be in his handwriting.

The jury returned a verdict of Not Guilty.

RULING THE BOOKS.

Sentence of death was recorded against John Walsh, for the murder of Henson.

His Lordship promised to forward the recommendation of the jury to the Executive.

John Kelly, Peter Kelly, and Joseph Scott were sentenced to seven years' penal servitude; and Patrick Carroll in consequence of the recommendation of the jury, to three years' penal servitude; James Creagh, seven years' penal servitude; Joseph Flynn, seven years' penal servitude; Martin Hannon, three years' penal servitude; James Brennan, larceny, six months' imprisonment, with hard labour; John Bermingham allowed to stand out upon his own recognisance.

The Crown applied to have the trial of Michael Creagh postponed to the following assizes.

RECORD COURT.

Tullamore, March 6.

(Before Judge Keogh.)

Thomas Macnamara, Thomas Toober, Michael Toober, sen., Charles Carroll, Patrick Troy, and Michael Toober, jun., were indicted for a violent assault upon James Murray, on the 12th of February, 1860, in the house of Patrick Troy, a publican, one of the prisoners. There were counts for the infliction of grievous bodily harm and of actual bodily harm, and for common assault.

Mr. Ball, Q.C.; Mr. Palles, and Mr. Osborne, appeared for the Crown.

Mr. O'Driscoll defended the prisoners.

The prosecutor and some others were examined on the part of the Crown, and deposed to the circumstance that the prisoner had been called a preacher, and then violently beaten.

The medical evidence established that four or five incised wounds had been inflicted on the prisoner.

Various witnesses were called for the defence, the line of which was, that the prisoners were in a different room of the house from that in which the prosecutor was beaten, and that the prosecutor, Murray, had originated the row, by striking at the prisoners with a half-gallon measure.

His Lordship charged the jury, who returned a verdict of Guilty against Michael Toober, senr., Thomas Toober, and Charles Carroll, on the count for grievous bodily harm; a like verdict against Thomas Macnamara, on the count for actual bodily harm; and Acquitted John Toober, Michael Toober, junr., and Patrick Troy.

Joseph Hone was indicted for the larceny of a cheque for £25 8s., on the 3rd September, 1859.

Mr. Ball, Q.C.; Mr. Palles, and Mr. Osborne, prosecuted for the Crown.

The prisoner was not defended.

The jury found a verdict of Guilty.

Tullamore, March 7.

James Poland and Joseph Langton were indicted for appearing armed on the night of the 27th of February, 1860, to the terror of her Majesty's subjects.

Mr. Griffith and Mr. Osborne appeared for the Crown.

Mr. Curran defended the prisoners.

Chas. Cooper, the prosecutor, deposed that as he was going home on Ash-Wednesday night, he heard horn-blowing and cries from three gatherings, and that a boy from one of the gatherings came and presented a pistol at his breast; the boy in question was not either of the prisoners.

Mr. Curran cross-examined the prisoner:—The horn-blowing appeared to have been in celebration of a wedding, and the transaction, whatever it was, grew out of this circumstance.

By consent of the Crown, the prisoners withdrew their pleas of not guilty, and the prisoners were allowed to stand out on their own recognisances, to appear when called for in court.

Michael Kelly and Abraham Neville were indicted for setting fire to the barn of Mrs. Anne Pattison, on the 15th day of February, 1860.

The prisoners joined in their challenges.

Mr. Griffith, Mr. Osborne, and Mr. Palles, appeared for the Crown.

Mr. Curran defended the prisoners.

The defence as to the prisoner Kelly was an *alibi*. The evidence as to Neville was not contradicted.

The jury returned a verdict of Guilty.

RULING THE BOOKS.

Joseph Hone, 12 months' imprisonment.

Thomas Langton, 6 months' imprisonment with hard labour.

Thomas Toober, Charles Carroll, Michael Toober, sen., 12 months' imprisonment, with hard labour.

Thomas Macnamara, 9 months' imprisonment, with hard labour.

Michael Kelly and Abraham Neville, 2 years' imprisonment, with hard labour.

COUNTY SLIGO.
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)
Tuesday, March 6.

CROWN COURT.
(Before Judge Hayes.)

The Queen v. Mary Jane Hughes.

Mr. Walter Bourke, Q.C.; Mr. Concannon, Mr. Carleton, and Mr. Barker prosecuted.

Mr. Malley defended the prisoner.

The prisoner was indicted for the wilful murder of her child, James Connolly, aged three years or upwards.

Mr. Bourke stated the case for the Crown. The prisoner had cohabited with one Martin Connolly, in the town of Easky, by whom she had the child in question. She afterwards removed to the neighbourhood of Mr. Cooper's residence, near this town, and within a mile and a half of Ardcurley Wood, where she lived for some time in the residence of a man named Patrick Healy, where she contracted the acquaintance of a man named Williams. After this intimacy commenced she seemed to have contracted a dislike towards the child by the former connection, which counsel did not then refer to, but which would transpire in her own confession, and she subsequently disappeared from the house of Healy with the child, called at the houses of two women of the name of Tighe and Donnelly, which intervened between that of Healy and the wood of Ardculley; left the last of those houses, which was within a mile of the wood, and went in its direction; returned again in an hour and a half without the child, which had never since been seen until the discovery of its remains in the wood hereafter mentioned. All this occurred in the month of June last, about the 23rd of the month. In about three months after, on the 23rd of Sept., the body of a male child, in a state of putrefaction, and almost incapable of being recognised, was discovered by a man of the name of Shaw, woodranger of Mr. Cooper, within a few yards inside of the plantation, on a bank, at the end of a meadow adjacent, in a mutilated condition, and corresponding in age with the child of the prisoner. The prisoner was immediately taken into custody by the police, and, after having been several times cautioned, she confessed the murder of her child. She was afterwards brought before Mr. Starkie, the stipendiary magistrate, and again confessed the murder, but stated she left the child in the wood picking flowers, instigated thereto by her second paramour, Williams, who had abused and frequently beat the child. These facts having been proved in evidence,

Mr. Malley addressed the jury for the prisoner in a powerful speech, commenting on the absence of motive and the circumstances which led to the confession relied on by the Crown.

The learned Judge left the circumstances to the jury in a clear and a touching address, and the jury, after an hour's consultation, found a verdict of Manslaughter.

The prisoner, who was about thirty years of age, of a diminutive size and repulsive appearance, was sentenced to seven years' penal servitude.

COUNTY LIMERICK.
(FROM OUR OWN REPORTER.)
Limerick, March 7.
(Before Mr. Justice Christian.)
Haurahan *v.* Purcell.

This was an action for breach of a covenant for quiet enjoyment, brought by the tenant against his landlord.

Mr. Sullivan, Q.C., stated the plaintiff's case. A lease had been made to him by Purcell of certain lands, containing amongst others, four acres; upon these four acres Purcell had lately, and on several occasions, driven in cattle, alleging that they did not form a part of the lands demised by the lease. The plaintiff Haurahan, however, was prepared, as counsel stated, to prove that the four acres formed a portion of the [illegible]

A number of witnesses were called upon both sides, but the facts elicited were wholly devoid of public interest.

The case had not concluded.

Counsel for the plaintiff—Messrs. Clarke, Q.C.; James Murphy, and W. Cusack Smith.

For the defendant—Messrs. Sullivan, Q.C.; Barry, Q.C.; and Exham.

(Before Mr. Baron Hughes)

EJECTMENT ON THE TITLE.

Scanlan *v.* M'Carthy.

Mr. Brereton, Q.C., opened the case for the plaintiff.

It was an action of ejectment brought by Mr. Scanlan, to recover thirty-four acres of land in the county Limerick, which had been demised in the year 1850, by the predecessor of the present plaintiff, and, as was now alleged, at a very inadequate rent; that gentleman having been but tenant for life of the lands, with a power to make leases of a certain duration, at the best rent that could be got.

Witnesses were examined on behalf of the plaintiff, to prove that the lands were worth a very much larger acreable rent.

The case of the defendant was, that the lands contained a very large proportion of reclaimed bog, and witnesses were called to prove that fact, and to show that although, if the rent were to be divided acreably over the entire, it would be inadequate, so far as the good land was concerned, yet that on taking away the reclaimed portion, the rent would, in fact, be a very high rent for the residue.

A verdict was found for the defendant.

Counsel for the plaintiff—Messrs. Brereton, Q.C.; Barry Q.C.; and Robert Ferguson.

For the defendant—Messrs. Clarke, Q.C.; Sullivan, Q.C.; and Exham.

M'Namara *v.* Fitzgerald.

This was an action against Sir John Fitzgerald, who was a candidate at the elections for the county of Clare in 1852, 1853, and 1857, and brought by Mr. M'Namara, of Ennis, his conducting agent, to recover a sum of about £400 expended upon those several occasions. Sir John Fitzgerald had already paid very large sums on account of those expenses.

The case was now called on for trial, when it was announced that the record would be withdrawn, the defendant admitting that the sums sought had been expended, but were not recoverable in consequence of the provisions of the Corrupt Practices Prevention Act. This was accordingly agreed to, and the record was withdrawn, each party abiding his own costs, the judge taking down on his notes that this was to be a final settlement of all demands between the parties.

COUNTY ARMAGH.
(FROM OUR OWN REPORTER.)
Armagh, March 7.

CROWN COURT.
(Before Mr. Justice Ball.)

RIOT AND UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLY.

In the case of John Nimmo, William Lynas, Samuel Proctor, and others, indicted for a riot and unlawful assembly at the house of a man named M'Candless, who recently became

Foreign Intelligence.

FRANCE.

(FROM THE CORRESPONDENT OF THE GLOBE.)

PARIS, MONDAY EVENING.—The result of a second appeal to universal suffrage in Tuscany will not be known till the 20th instant, and up to that period all speculation is idle. Not that any doubt hangs over the issue of the popular choice, but silly assertion and presumptuous iteration have been the practice of those who persist in shutting their ears and eyes to evidence, and a final manifestation of the nation's deliberate verdict is absolutely required to swamp for ever noble or ignoble misrepresentation. Yet one can hardly answer for the effect on certain minds. In Ovid's Metamorphoses, some malignant crokers are changed into frogs, whereon the poet observes:—

"Et quanquam sub *aqua*, sub *aqua* maledicere tentant,"

in which imitative verse the persistent *quacking* of political *canards* is sought to be conveyed.

The whole tenor of Baron Ricasoli's speech at Pisa (Feb. 26) indicates that a separate kingdom for Tuscany is a project abhorred as a mockery and a snare, and a stumbling-block placed purposely in the path of Italy's triumphant progress. Here are his words on delivering standards to the National Guard in front of the Campo Santo, the Battistero and hanging tower, a spot unmatched in Europe for picturesque aspect:—

"If the departed heroes who sleep in this consecrated earth brought hither from Jerusalem by our crusaders, could hear this clang of arms, they would ask, is it against Genos or Venice war is waged? No; Italians now don't fight each other; we all rally round one King, Victor Emmanuel; municipal jealousies are of the past. It is for us and not for strangers to decide on what suits our country. They may throw obstacles but they cannot stop our course. Romagna has decreed, Tuscany has adjudicated on the issue. Foreign Powers may seek to suffocate our Peninsula by obstructions to its free breathing. We breathe at last, and, save at Rome, Naples, and Venice, our lungs inhale national vitality. We have in our midst a decrepit foe in Rome's temporal sceptre. Mix not up the faith of your fathers with that nuisance. They are distinct, and in our day incompatible. Soldiers! sons of the crusaders whose bones repose in this soil, keep your faith intact. In my veins there flows a blood that has for ages been at the service of our religion, and as a Catholic I feel it my duty to denounce the fraud and artifices of a worldly and profane Court, as much adverse to true Christianity as to national happiness."

I have toned down the asperity of his language towards the Court of Rome, but this is the pith and essence of a speech enthusiastically cheered by the armed citizens of Pisa.

It is now pretty certain that Antonelli would rather see a red republic in Romagna than witness its prosperity under the stewardship of the Piedmontese monarch. His recognising the vicarial authority of Victor Emmanuel is hopeless, but does not much signify. In point of fact, for the last 40 years Austria has exercised the vicarial stewardship of these legations, and exacted payment for its performance, her soldiery living at free quarters, her commandants and field-marshals ruling the land, acting as judges and jailers, sending into exile those not sent to the scafford; a Babylonian captivity is simply exchanged for an honest and humane administration.

A batch of senators from Lombardy has been added to the Upper House at Turin by the King, and among them Italy's most distinguished living author, the venerable Alessandro Manzoni. It is meant that he be elected president of the Nobles' Chamber.

Any fresh news from Venice is sure to be of a dismal odious character, but it assumes occasionally a grotesque and ridiculous form. The last intelligence brings a decree against beards of a particular cut, and against a particular shape of hat called "a la Cavour," it being supposed to be modelled on the pattern worn by that statesman. This "hatti-sheriff" is signed by an underling of the new governor, or, as he is termed Stadtholder of Venetia, Herr Toggenbrog, the said official bearing the appropriate name of Holtzgethan, both jawbreakers for Italians. Cavour is giving great umbrage by his inquisitive notice of the doings going on in that part of the peninsula.

PAPER-DUTY.

The following Report of "the Commissioners of Inland Revenue to the Treasury on the Repeal of the Duty upon Paper, dated the 1st day of March, 1860," is published with the Parliamentary papers of Tuesday:—

Inland Revenue, Somerset House, W.C.,
March 1, 1860.

May it please your Lordships,—We have observed in the course of the recent debates on the budget several references to observations made by us in our annual reports on the subject of the paper-duties.

It has been inferred from the passages alluded to that our experience of the effect of the paper-duty does not bear out the statement of the Chancellor of the Exchequer in his speech on the 10th February—namely, "that the Board of Inland Revenue are completely agreed that there ought to be a repeal of the duty."

This inference, however, is not correct. We beg leave to state that it is our deliberate opinion that the paper-duty (to use the words of the Chancellor of the Exchequer) "is rapidly becoming untenable," and we hope to satisfy your lordships that this opinion is not inconsistent with those which we have previously expressed on the subject.

It is no doubt true that in our first and second reports we noticed as a circumstance which distinguishes the paper-duty from other duties of Excise, that the regulations under which the revenue from this source is collected are such as to impose very slight restrictions during the process of manufacture.

Your lordships are aware that the intervention of the Excise-officer takes place at a paper mill, for the first time, when the paper is ready to be sent out. It is then his business to weigh it, to charge the duty according to the weight, and to place round the reams labels and wrappers denoting that the charge has been made, and distinguishing them from such as have not been brought under his inspection.

These simple regulations leave the paper maker comparatively free to adopt the best and most economical modes of working, and he can scarcely assert, as the malsters and distillers do, that the cost of production is increased, or the quality of the manufactured article impaired, by the fetters imposed upon him for fiscal purposes.

We considered it right to point out this distinguishing characteristic of the paper-duty, as an important consideration in any discussion respecting the maintenance of it as a source of revenue, and as being a matter of which few persons besides those practically conversant with the operation of the revenue laws could be expected to have any knowledge. But our observations were limited to this one point—namely, the freedom of the process of manufacture from Excise regulations—and were not intended to convey any opinion upon the wider question whether the general effects of the duty were or were not as pernicious as had been represented by the advocates for its repeal.

In our third report, however (that of last year), we were compelled to draw your lordships' attention to the very great and increasing embarrassments in which we were involved in collecting this tax. We pointed out that this state of things was attributable in a great measure to the condemnation of the duty by a resolution of the House of Commons; and we might perhaps have added, that the evils of which we complained had been accumulating for many years previously, under the prevalence of a general impression that the duty on paper would be given up on the very first available opportunity. We endeavoured to show how impossible it was under these circumstances to apply to Parliament for power to subject new branches of the trade to Excise regulations; and at the same time how unjust it was to allow to one an exemption from that duty and survey which alone prevented a rival branch from successful competition in the market.

As an example, we selected the case of the card-makers and the pasteboard-makers; we might have specified several others, which have lately been brought to your lordships' notice.

Without going into the details (which are to be found in pages 13 and 14 of our third annual report), it may be sufficient to state that card-makers are exempt from Excise survey, while pasteboard-makers are subject to it; that the distinction between the articles produced by the two traders is merely nominal, and that it is scarcely an exaggeration to say that we are levying a duty on A, while we allow B to send out goods, precisely similar in nature, without any interference from the revenue-officer.

It may be said that the remedy is, either to place the card-makers under survey, or to exempt the pasteboard-makers; but besides the reasons above referred to, which prevent us from adopting the former alternative in a case of paper-duty, we must frankly own that we believe it to be impossible at the present day to subject to the supervision of the exciseman any class of traders who have hitherto been free from it; and on the other hand, if the pasteboard-makers were to be declared exempt, we should have to encounter the loud and well-founded complaints of their rivals, those paper-makers, namely, who make pasteboard at their mills, and who are necessarily under Excise survey, so long as a duty on paper exists.

The pasteboard-makers again come before us in the character of injured parties, when they compare the treatment which they receive with that of the scaleboard-maker. Pasteboard, it seems, is the natural rival of scaleboard. Left free from extraneous influences, these two articles might, perhaps, maintain the struggle for supremacy without any decided avantage on either side; but the weight of Excise duty and survey, which is brought to bear upon pasteboard alone, gives to scaleboard an easy triumph in the very same field in which pasteboard formerly obtained the preference. Boxes, for instance, of various kinds, and especially hat boxes, were originally made of pasteboard, a more suitable material for the purpose than scaleboard. Since the duty has been levied on the former, and not on the latter, a trade which entirely supported a large manufactory near Oxford has ceased to exist; and it is asked, not without reason, whether it is just to select arbitrarily for taxation one of two articles so similar in their nature and in the purposes to which they are applicable.

The grievances of the pasteboard-makers do not end here. They appear again with the more important complaint that the duty on pasteboard is seriously detrimental to the exporters of certain light manufactures which are packed in ornamented boxes for the foreign market, and that it actually has the effect of compelling the British merchant to import for this purpose boxes made in Germany, instead of using those made at home.

Your lordships are aware that no drawback can be given in such a case, because, in the first place, the amount of duty originally paid on the paper composing the pasteboard cannot be ascertained, and in the second place, supposing that an approximate rate could be fixed upon, so as to obviate this difficulty, it would still be impracticable to obtain the tare of such boxes when filled with goods ready for shipment. That a close examination would be necessary is proved by the remarkable fact, that an applicant on this subject recently forwarded to us a box as a specimen of those which he used, and which turned out to be made of scaleboard, an article on which, as before observed, no duty is levied. The duty, therefore, on pasteboard boxes, and on slips of pasteboard on which certain goods are wound, or to which they are attached, is a burthen from which our manufacturers cannot be relieved so long as the paper-duty is maintained, and is, no doubt, as alleged by them, an impediment in the close competition which they encounter in the foreign and colonial markets. Their endeavour to escape from this difficulty by importing foreign boxes (subject at the Custom House to an *ad valorem* duty, which is not an equivalent to that of the Excise), while it affords but an imperfect remedy to the exporters, is an additional cause of complaint against the unequal operation of the revenue laws from the makers of paper and pasteboard in our own country.

The above instances are some of those which have been most recently pressed upon our notice, as illustrating the unequal incidence of the paper duty, and we have found it impossible either to deny the existence of the evils complained of, or to suggest any remedy short of the entire repeal of the duty.

Numerous other examples might be adduced of the same unhappy effect from this tax; but the explanations necessary to make them intelligible would lead us into too much detail for our present purpose. We content ourselves with reminding your lordships of the incessant demands of the stationers to have the same drawback on the waste cuttings of writing-paper as is allowed on the cuttings of envelopes, of the impossibility of granting this without opening the door to the payment of drawback upon every small piece of paper produced for that purpose, and of the absurdity to which the concession would thus reduce us. Your lordships may remember that all our difficulties in this respect have arisen from an attempt to restore the balance between the envelopes made at a paper-mill and those made by stationers, disturbed as it was to the disadvantage of the latter by their waste cuttings being subject to the duty, while those occurring at the mill are reconverted into pulp before the charge of duty is made. It is impossible to deny that the principle on which we thus acted is of more extended application; but we have elsewhere fully explained to your lordships how impracticable it would be to attempt to carry it into effect.

Equally difficult is it to defend upon principle the subjection of artificial parchment to the paper duty, while the true parchment is free; yet it is absolutely necessary to maintain (as we did in the Court of Exchequer) that a process of manufacture admitting of no other description than which would be given of paper-making, must be treated precisely as paper-making, and it is clear that the abandonment of our claim for duty in the one case would necessarily lead to the same result in the other. We should otherwise gladly have abstained from interfering with this new and ingenious production, which, we fear, has been entirely suppressed by the judgment which placed it under the revenue laws.

It would be a very long task to enumerate all the cases falling within the class to which we have hitherto confined our remarks—cases, namely, in which the Excise survey and duty attaches to one description of manufactured article, while another, its competitor in the market, is left entirely free. In many of them the evil is apparently trifling, though not so in reality; and even in those which we have noticed the importance of the inequalities in the incidence of the duty will not be duly estimated, except by those who are conversant with the effect of very small differences in profit in the course of trade. But we have probably said enough to prove our concurrence in the Chancellor of the Exchequer's allegations, for we cannot conceive a more untenable position for the heads of a revenue department than that in which we are placed when in answer to complaints from persons whose trade is annihilated by our exaction of a duty from which their competitors are exempt, we can only say that such is the necessary consequence of the existence of the tax. It is this unfortunate effect of the paper duty which so distinguishes it for evil; and it is to this that we limit our observations on the present occasion. Indeed, such inequality of pressure as we have mentioned appears to afford a more valid ground of objection than the mere amount of pressure which is insisted upon with so much earnestness and ability by publishers, newspaper proprietors, and other advocates of the repeal of the paper-duty.

With the statements and arguments of these gentlemen your lordships are doubtless familiar, and at all events can require no assistance from us in order to appreciate their importance, and their bearing upon the question under consideration.—We have, &c.,

(Signed) CHA. PRESSLY.
C. J. HERRIES.
ALEX. DUFF GORDON.

The Lords Commissioners of
her Majesty's Treasury.

LICENSED GROCERS' AND VINTNERS' SOCIETY.

The usual weekly meeting of the members of this body was held yesterday, in their rooms, William-street—

Mr. WILLIAM CADE in the chair.

Mr. Nixon handed in £1 5s. from Mrs. Hester O'Brien, of the North Wall, being the amount of her subscription for 1859, with the unpaid balance of her subscription for 1858.

There was also handed in a year's subscription from Mr. Redmond, T.C.

The principal subject which engaged the attention of the meeting was with reference to the Chancellor of the Exchequer's proposal to extend the licences for selling wine in England on the same principle as the beer licences. The secretary brought the matter under the notice of the society, by referring to the proceedings which had taken place at a special meeting of the society, held last week, for the purpose of co-operating with the kindred societies in England, in their opposition to this measure. He read a resolution which had been forwarded to him by the secretary of the British Association, on behalf of that body, thanking most warmly the Licensed Grocers and Vintners of Dublin for their sympathy and support in the critical position in which the Budget had placed the trade generally.

Mr. Carey, president of the society, called attention to an address which had been published by the "United Towns' Association and National Licensed Victuallers' Defence League." This address, he said, called on the trade, in every part of the United Kingdom, to take energetic steps to check the unjust inroad which was about being made upon their interests—an inroad which, if allowed to be made in England, would, most assuredly, like the Income-tax, be next year attempted, and successfully, in Ireland. It behoved the Dublin traders, in particular, not to go asleep at this momentous crisis, because the Chancellor had declared his measure would not apply, for the *present*, to Ireland. Any member of the House, when the bill founded on his resolutions went before the committee, could move to have Ireland included; and thus the Government would, indirectly, get rid of the odium of having forced upon a large and respectable portion of the community a measure which not only dealt unfairly with their vested rights, but would be most injurious to the morality of the country. (Hear, hear.) It was a great mistake for the public to suppose that vintners were alone concerned in this question; it came home to the hearts of fathers and mothers, and clergymen of all religious denominations, who were the recognised guardians of the public morals. After some further observations, Mr. Carey suggested that the address, which he had taken the liberty of reading, should be published as an advertisement in the IRISH TIMES, *Freeman's Journal*, and other papers; and that public meetings should be held in the wards, or, if necessary, the Lord Mayor called on to assemble an aggregate meeting of the citizens, to petition Parliament against the proposal of the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Mr. Byrne agreed in the policy of co-operating with the Licensed Victuallers of England, but doubted if the public out of doors were so fully alive to the dangerous consequences of the measure as to make an effective demonstration by public meetings. The Chancellor had declared that his measure did not apply to Ireland, which, no doubt, deluded numbers unconnected with the trade into the belief that to get up an agitation in Ireland against the measure would be worse than needless. (Hear, hear.)

After some further discussion on the subject, it was resolved, on the motion of Mr. M'Gauran, seconded by Mr. Dunne, that the document introduced by Mr. Carey should be published in the papers he mentioned.

The Secretary stated that they had received the thanks of numerous friends of the society for their exertions on this question, but as they had been put to considerable expense, it would be well for those admirers of their conduct to give a substantial token of their approbation. (Hear, hear.)

The Secretary next called attention to the annoyance to which Mr. Jude, of Grafton-street, had been lately subjected, by the officious and unwarrantable interference of the police authorities. (Hear, hear.) Mr. Jude had not been summoned for selling drink at prohibited hours, but upon, it seemed, the now very serious charge of "delaying" the admission of the constable into his premises. He was glad, and in this he only expressed the opinion of the society and the trade, that Mr. Jude had successfully resisted this unjust attempt to interfere with his business, as a most respectable and extensive hotel-keeper, and he hoped that the police authorities would take a hint from the short but pithy judgment of Mr. Wise, who tried the case.

Some formal business having been then transacted, the society adjourned.

CITY SESSIONS COURT—YESTERDAY.

The Right Honourable the Recorder sat yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, and resumed the trial of prisoners.

ROBBERY.—Michael Clinch and Michael Trueman, who kept a lottery shop, were indicted for having, on the 20th February last, stolen a purse, containing two shillings, the property of John Telford. The prosecutor could not attend, being ill. It appears that Clinch had been previously sentenced to several terms of punishment—viz., once to three months, twice to six months, and once to twelve months' imprisonment; also to seven years' transportation from this court. It was stated, too, that the prisoner had been fourteen times committed by the magistrates. Trueman had been seven times committed by the magistrates, and five times by the court, once for four years to penal servitude.

They were, of course, discharged.

THE POLICEMAN'S CASE.—James Code was indicted for stealing a gold watch and chain, and also for obtaining £5 under false pretences, from Mary Anne Mallon, on the 21st of April last, and subsequently.

Mr. Sidney appeared for the prisoner.

Mary Anne Mallon, being examined, deposed that she was a widow, and had kept a small shop at Golden Bridge; the prisoner was a policeman at that time, and used to pass by her shop while on duty; he made her acquaintance and paid her several visits, which led her to believe that he was paying his addresses to her; on one of these occasions he asked her what hour it was, when she took out her watch and told him; but as she was called into the shop at the time, she left it with him for a few minutes; when she returned he refused to give it up.

Mr. Sidney—Did you give the watch into his hand?

Witness—No, I did not; but he afterwards said he would give it back.

She subsequently went to Crumlin, where the prisoner was, for the purpose of getting the watch, but he excused himself for not seeing her, by saying that he had a sore foot.

Being cross-examined by Mr. Sidney, the witness stated that she understood from the prisoner's manner that he was courting her, and that she expected he would marry her; he also made a promise to that effect after he took the watch; could not say how often she had been in his company since April last; did not know whether he was married to another woman.

Mr. Sidney here read the information of the prosecutrix, in which, among other things, it was stated that the prisoner induced her to give up her shop at Golden Bridge, and take another in Corn Market, and that he used to be very frequently in her company.

Mr. Sidney—Well, will you have him now?

Witness—No, indeed. (Laughter.)

No further evidence being adduced, the indictment was not sustained, and the prisoner was Acquitted. He was also acquitted of the charge of having obtained £5 from the prosecutrix under false pretences. He was then discharged.

LARCENY.—Sarah Elliott was indicted for having stolen thirteen shillings, the money of John M'Nerny, on the 4th February last, in Temple-street. The prisoner was in the employment of the prosecutor's wife as washerwoman at the time the offence was committed.

Mrs. M'Nerny deposed that the prisoner took the money off her table.

The Prisoner, having pleaded not guilty, said that the money must have been taken by the prosecutrix's daughter.

The evidence sustained the charge.

The prisoner was convicted, and having been in prison on three former occasions, was sentenced to penal servitude for three years.

LARCENY.—Mary Neil was indicted for having, on the 7th February, stolen £1 16s., the property of John Donohoe. It appeared from the evidence that the prisoner and other parties were drinking together with the prosecutor on the morning of the day in question, and that the money was taken subsequently from him.

The evidence fully established the charge.

The prisoner was convicted, and sentenced to six months' imprisonment, with hard labour.

FELONY.—Rose Llewellyn was indicted for having in her possession, and knowing it to be stolen, a gold watch and chain, the property of James Mooney. The prisoner admitted having pawned the article, but denied knowing that it was stolen. She alleged that it was given to her in the street, by a respectable-looking woman, to be pawned. The prosecutor deposed that on the night of the 27th January, he was passing through Church-street, when he was asked the hour by a woman, who thereupon snatched the watch and chain from him.

The pawnbroker's assistant, in whose office the watch was pawned, deposed that the prisoner was the person who offered it in pawn on the 28th January. Another pawnbroker's assistant proved that the prisoner had offered the chain in pawn at his office.

The prisoner was convicted, and sentenced to six months' imprisonment, with hard labour.

LARCENY.—Anne Carroll was indicted for having stolen brushes, and some few other articles for dressing, on the 30th January, the property of Edward Concannon, a private of the 76th Regiment. The prosecutor was going on furlough at the time, having the aforesaid articles with him, when he became acquainted with the prisoner, who took the articles, and afterwards pawned them.

The Prisoner urged in defence that the prosecutor had borrowed a shilling from her, which was more than the value of the articles in question.

The prisoner was convicted, and having been imprisoned three times before by the Recorder, and twenty-five times by the magistrates, was sentenced to penal servitude for four years.

LARCENY.—Mary Bishop, an old woman, was indicted for having stolen, on the 4th of February, some quilts, pillows, and other bed furniture, the property of Bridget Connaghty. The prisoner pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to six months' imprisonment.

LARCENY.—Michael Reilly was indicted for having, on the 21st of February, stolen a pair of blankets, the property of Mary Reilly. He pleaded not guilty. The prosecutrix refused to proceed, and the Recorder, having admonished the prisoner, he was Acquitted.

LARCENY.—Eliza Balfe was indicted for having, on the 26th of January, stolen three yards of stuff, a yard of cloth, and an apron, the property of a Mrs. Byrne. The parties, it appears, were acquaintances prior to the alleged felony. The jury convicted the prisoner, who was imprisoned for larceny before. She was now sentenced to six months' imprisonment, with hard labour.

LARCENY.—James Hare, a boy, was indicted for having stolen an ass's collar and hames, the property of Michael Quigley, on the 24th of January; also with stealing a metal weight, the property of John Wilde. The articles were subsequently pawned.

The prisoner was convicted on the first charge, and sentenced to three months' imprisonment, with hard labour.

LARCENY.—Bridged Sheehan was indicted for having, on the 6th February, stolen £10 14s. 6d., the property of Patk. Byrne, victualler, Castle Market. The prisoner was engaged as servant to the prosecutor, and the money was alleged to have been taken from a desk in a glass-case in the absence of the prosecutor and his wife. The prisoner left the house immediately after the offence was committed. The evidence was not sufficient to convict her, and she was accordingly Acquitted.

COURT OF BANKRUPTCY AND INSOLVENCY—YESTERDAY.

(Before Judge Lynch.)

In re Thomas Naghten.

The insolvent in this case, who appeared to be a working shoemaker, was discharged so far back as the month of March 1845, and on that occasion he returned as a debtor to his estate a gentleman, named Christopher Southby Harrison, who had three or four years previously been discharged himself as an insolvent. Mr. Harrison returned as a debtor to his estate a gentleman named Plunket; he also returned as a creditor for £2,000 Mr. Mills Harrison, his brother. Plunket's property was subsequently sold in the Incumbered Estates Court, and realised a fund for the benefit of Harrison's creditors, amongst whom were the assignees of his brother (who had been also insolvent), and who claimed a sum of two thousand pounds. This claim, if established, was prior to that of Naghten, and would leave nothing for him or for the rest of the creditors of Harrison. Whilst the claim of Naghten was thus doubtful, he assigned his right to any surplus out of the judgment against Harrison, after payment of his (Naghten's) creditor, to a Mr. Hunter, for a sum of £20 in cash, and in consideration of satisfying two judgments for about £60 that he had against him. Naghten also subsequently assigned to a Mr. Smith his right to the same surplus by way of mortgage, the money advanced to him by that gentleman. Mills Harrison's claim having been disallowed, a sum of between six and seven hundred pounds was brought into the estate of Naghten, and after payment of his creditors there was a sum of about five hundred pounds, to which Naghten would be clearly entitled, if he had not disposed of his contingent right to this surplus. The fund being thus in court, there was a reference to the Chief Clerk to ascertain to whom it properly belonged, and to report specially. The Chief Clerk reported that, although the deed from Naghten to Hunter appeared on the face of it to be an absolute assignment of his right to this surplus, it was nothing more than a mortgage; and that Hunter was only entitled to receive the money he advanced, and that Mr. Smith, whose claim amounted to four or five hundred pounds, would be entitled to the surplus. To this report counsel for Mr. Hunter took exceptions, which were resisted by counsel for Mr. Smith. The case came on for argument last week, and appeared to have been argued with much ability by counsel on both sides. David Sherlock, Q.C., and Mr. Levy were for Mr. Hunter, who claimed this prize of four or five hundred pounds, which was purchased for a few pounds. Mr. Serjeant Fitzgibbon and Mr. Phillips were for Mr. Smith, who claimed to be a mortgagee for an amount that would absorb the whole sum, and the nature of the case and the earnestness with which the gentlemen on both sides put forward the claims of their respective clients had considerable interest, even for nonprofessional hearers. The case having stood over for the further consideration of the court, Judge Lynch delivered an elaborate judgment. He said the case came before him upon objections taken to the Chief Clerk's report. That report found that the deed of assignment to Mr. Hunter, although appearing to be an absolute assignment, of Naghten's right to this surplus to Hunter, was to be considered merely as a mortgage for the sums advanced by that gentleman, with interest, and consequently that the surplus belonged to Mr. Smith. The Chief Clerk, although finding the deed to be only a mortgage, does not say upon what grounds he arrived at that conclusion. He admitted, by his finding, that the deed on the face of it purports to be an absolute assignment of Naghten's right to the surplus in question, but he did not say why it is not what it purports to be. To that finding two objections were taken—first, an objection to the jurisdiction, that inasmuch as there was a fund to pay all the creditors under the insolvency, the court had no jurisdiction to deal with a fund which was the subject of a contest between third parties, who were, it might be said, strangers to the insolvency. Without intending that the present case should be a precedent on that point, he would say that it was too late for Mr. Hunter to raise an objection to the jurisdiction at that stage of the proceedings. The case cited by Mr. Fitzgibbon, of the Queen *v.* the Commissioners of the Insolvent Court in England, was an authority upon the point of jurisdiction, but he was far from saying that cases might not arise where the court ought to leave parties contending about a surplus in an insolvent's estate to their remedies outside of that court. In the present case, however, the jurisdiction had been submitted, and he felt no difficulty in dealing with the case. The second and important objection was, that he sitting there as a judge of that court, had no power to reform or set aside the deed of Mr. Hunter, there being no evidence to sustain the allegation of Mr. Smith, that it was obtained by fraud or misrepresentation on the part of Mr. Hunter. He thought Mr. Hunter was not much deserving of the consideration of the court, for he did not inform Mr. Smith of what had taken place; but, on the other hand, Mr. Smith had not applied to Mr. Hunter to know whether his deed was a deed of absolute assignment or not. The question before him was, had he such evidence of alleged fraud on the part of Mr. Hunter as would induce him to sustain the finding of the Chief Clerk, which would be in effect the setting aside of a deed purporting to be on the face of it an absolute deed of assignment. He thought Mr. Levy, in his very able address, put the case on its proper footing; was there evidence to warrant him in coming to a conclusion that the deed was obtained from Mr. Naghten by fraud. If no evidence existed in the case but that of Naghten on the one side, and of Mr. Hunter on the other, he would not have one moment's hesitation in declaring the deed was what it purported to be—a deed of absolute assignment, because there was the positive evidence both of Mr. Hunter and of the attorney that the deed was what it purported to be; while, on the other hand, there was the positive evidence of Naghten that it was intended to be nothing more than a mortgage. The weight of evidence was in favour of the deed being what it purported to be, and if it rested there he would not have the slightest hesitation in declaring it ought to stand as an absolute assignment, and he did not think, on the testimony of Mr. Forster and Mr. O'Brien, he would be warranted in coming to a conclusion that would have the effect of reforming the deed. It was open to the parties to bring the case before the Court of Chancery or Court of Appeal, but, as it stood, he did not think he would be warranted in setting aside the deed to Hunter, and, consequently, the surplus fund then in court belonged to Hunter. At the same time he thought Mr. Smith was entitled to the whole of his costs, and he would order that he should be paid out of the fund which would be kept in court, until Mr. Smith would be advised whether he should file a cause petition to have the deed reformed, or bring the case before the Court of Appeal.

Mr. Phillips, in absence of his leader, Mr. Serjeant Fitzgibbon, asked the court time for consultation.

Judge Lynch said there was no pressure, as the fund would be kept in court.

In re Newenham.

The insolvent in this case was sexton of St. Andrew's Church, and had been engaged in considerable litigation with the former sexton, Mr. Smith, in reference to his right to hold the office. Mr. Parsons was his solicitor in those proceedings, and his claim against the insolvent was a sum of £240, the amount of a bill of costs. He complained that, when he applied for the costs, the insolvent set up a defence of non-retainer.

Mr. M'Mahon appeared on behalf of Mr. Parsons, and said he had conducted the proceedings for Mr. Newbenham until he had established his title to the office of sexton, and he now asked that he should get an allocation out of his salary to pay the costs.

Mr. Levy, for the insolvent, said his salary did not come under the allocation clause at all, and that the salary, which was only £40 a year, was so very small that he could not afford any allocation out of it.

Judge Lynch said the conduct of the insolvent was highly improper, and that, if he did not consent to allocate a sum of £20 for Mr. Parsons, he might expect a severe remand.

The case was adjourned for a week, to afford the insolvent time for consideration.

POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

CAPEL-STREET—YESTERDAY.

A young woman, of respectable appearance, named Caroline Genese, was brought before the magistrate, charged by Messrs. Cannock and White, in whose employment she had been as an upholsterer, with stealing a mirror from their establishment. The prisoner pleaded guilty, and the Messrs. Cannock and White intimated their unwillingness to press the charge, as the young girl had previously borne a very good character.—The Magistrate, in consequence of this intimation, sentenced her to but six weeks' imprisonment, with hard labour.

YESTERDAY'S DESPATCHES.

THE FOLLOWING APPEARED IN OUR THIRD EDITION OF YESTERDAY:

THE INDIA AND CHINA MAILS.

SOUTHAMPTON, MARCH 6.—The Peninsula and Oriental Steam Company's steamer Indus, Captain Weeks, with heavy portion of above mails, arrived this evening at 4-30 p.m. She brings 96 passengers, amongst whom are, from Hongkong, Captain Shadwell, R.N., C.B., and Colonel Hollway, K.C.B.; from Calcutta, Colonel Hobson and Brigadier Rowcroft; and from Gibraltar, Major-General and Mrs. Rumley. The Indus brings on freight one box specie, precious stones, 3,000 rupees, also 27 boxes oranges, 76 cases Indian silks, 3 packages valuables, 35 packages sundries, and 13,000 bales raw silk, value £123 sterling. The Indus sailed from Alexandria, 20th; Malta, 24th; and Gibraltar 1st instant. On the 4th, in lat. 37 deg. 11 min. N. long., 4 deg. 37 min. E., spoke the Company's s. Ceylon, with the outward mail; and on the 5th, at 3 p.m., passed the s.s. Ripon, off Usbant.

The Indus was detained at Alexandria twenty-four hours, after embarking mails and passengers, in consequence of a gale, which rendered the bar impassable.

Her Majesty's ship Himalaya was still lying in the harbour at Malta, as were also her Majesty's ships Marlboro', Victor Emmanuel, Orion, Neptune, Terrible, Levarge, Sertar, Tartarus, Lapwing, Intrepid, Locoon, Cadmus, Caradoc, and Argos.

Her Majesty's ships Renown, Agamemnon, James Watt, Sylla, Mohawk, Quail, Redpole, the French steam-ship Jisiphore, the Austrian corvette Dargalt, and the Sardinian steamer Tripoli, were in the port of Gibraltar.

In Algesiras Bay the Spanish squadron, under the command of Admiral Bastillos, ; off Algesiras the French ships Donawertha, Fontrere, and Monette. The British schooner Alnwich, twelve days from Liverpool, and the steamer Gibraltar, nine days from London, had severally arrived at Gibraltar since previous dates.

Her Majesty's steam troop ship Perseverance, with the head quarters of the 4th Regiment, for Jamaica, left Gibraltar on the 27th ult.

Exchange on the 29th was quoted on London, 90 days' date, 50¾ to 50¾. Paris, 5f. 33c. Marseilles, 5f. 33c. Genoa, 5f. 36c. Madrid, 8 dis., sight ¼ dis. Cadiz, ¼ dis. Malaga, par. Seville, ¼ dis. Alicante, ¼ dis. Valencia, 8 dis. Barcelona, par. Spanish dollars, 3 per cent. rems. Freights to London and outports of the kingdom, Brazil and River Plate, 12 dollars per ton and 10 per cent. Gulf of Mexico and Havana, do. Malta, Leghorn, Genoa, and Marseilles, 4 to 5 dollars per ton, and 5 per cent. Lead taken at less.

AUSTRALIA.

The Australian trade advices do not show any material improvement in the prospects of the trade. There had not been many additional failures, but the markets were still glutted with English goods. Every hope is entertained, from time to time, that the supply may be reduced within moderate compass, being checked by the announcement made by each successive mail of further heavy shipments from this side. From these facts it is plain that notwithstanding the experience of 1857, there must still be a class of traders in England who are supported by improved banking facilities in carrying on a leading business.

The advices from Melbourne report the failure of Messrs. Sutherland and Bayley, with liabilities amounting to £76,616, and assets £27,779. The undermentioned firms had also stopped payment at Melbourne since the departure of the December mails:—Messrs. Berghoff & Tossel, Eldman & Co., John Everard, T. Edens & Co., and Law, Doods, & Co.

At Sydney Mr. W. Ellis, wholesale grocer, had stopped, with liabilities computed at £44,980, and assets at £44,907.

SPAIN AND MOROCCO.

News is down to the 28th ult. The permanent occupation of Tetuan having been definitely agreed upon, the General-in-Chief had requested that 10,000 beds be sent to that city as soon as possible. Several battalions belonging to the 3rd army and district in the peninsula have been organised, in order that they may be ready to proceed to Africa on the first summons.

A subscription has been opened at Barcelona for the purpose of presenting a sabre to General Prim.

A letter from the Sultan of Morocco was read on the 23rd in the principal mosque of Tangiers, announcing his rejection of the conditions of peace tendered by the Governor of Spain, and also announcing that his Majesty was coming up to the Northern provinces with a large force, declaring that there was little chance of peace being concluded with the Spaniards; that he had ample funds for carrying on the war, and that he would prosecute it even though he lost all his seaports. He exhorted all true believers to rise in defence of their country, and said that orders had been given to the orderly and well-disposed Moors to put to death all those who, availing themselves of the confusion of a foreign war to gratify their appetite for plunder, were a scourge to their own countrymen and innocuous to the enemy. Acting on the concluding announcement of this letter the Sultan has dismissed the Arab cavalry who plundered Tetuan, after being decimated in their flight by the hostile mountaineers, and beheaded many of their chiefs.

At the interview between O'Donnell and Muley Abbas, on the 23rd, the cession of Tetuan appears to have been the only point discussed. The representative of the Sultan was not prepared to accede to the demand of the Spanish Government, and the negociations, therefore, came to an end, whereupon Marshal O'Donnell sent the following despatch:—

"The General-in-Chief of the Army of Africa to his Excellency the Acting President of the Council of Ministers.

"Head-Quarters, Tetuan, 23rd Feb.

"To-day, at twelve o'clock, there presented himself an envoy of Muley Abbas, brother of the Emperor, Caiph and Lieutenant of the Empire, reporting that the Prince was on the road from Tangiers, distant only a short walk from our advanced post, with the object of being present at the interview I had appointed, and, consequently, I proceeded to the same spot with my head-quarters staff. Muley Abbas, who, in order to come to this interview, had a march of four leagues, was waiting for me as I had required. The discussion was opened with the point concerning the cession of the city of Tetuan. Kabah represented that it was impossible for them to concede that which was demanded. I then considered the interview at an end and rose, but afterwards consented to continue it at the instance of Muley Abbas. Kabah went on to say that they could not decide so weighty a matter, as they had not yet received the Emperor's reply to the conditions of peace, wherefore they requested that a further term of some days should be granted. I thought I ought not to accede to any adjournment and after having prolonged the discussion, and seeing that agreement was impossible, I put an end to the interview, declaring that from to-morrow I should be at perfect liberty to renew the war accordingly, and with this object I am about to have a conference with Admiral Bustelloo."

FRANCE AND SARDINIA.

PARIS, TUESDAY.—The *Patrie* asserts that the reply of Sardinia to the last despatch of M. Thouvenel has arrived in Paris. The King is said to have agreed to the solution proposed by France in reference to the Romagna, but as regards the solution of the question of Tuscany proposed by the Emperor, the reply of the King is said to be less distinct.

The *Patrie* adds—"We are unable to make known the exact reply of Sardinia in reference to the annexation of Savoy to France.

TURIN, TUESDAY.—It is stated that as soon as the preliminaries of the annexation of Savoy shall be settled between France and Sardinia, the Great Powers will be invited to a Conference, in order to examine the reasons brought forward by France in favour of the annexation.

It is said that Count Arese, who has returned to Turin, has been entrusted by the Emperor with the mission to bring about a speedy and definitive settlement between France and Piedmont on the question of Savoy.

AUSTRIA.

VIENNA, MARCH 6TH.—It is stated in official quarters that the Austrian Government has received positive information from Bologna, to the effect that the troops commanded by General Stefanille insist upon returning to Tuscany. Many soldiers of this *corps d'armee* have deserted to the Papal territory.

VIENNA, MARCH 6.—An Imperial patent has been published to-day ordering the augmentation of the Imperial Council, by extraordinary Councillors, who are to be assembled periodically. The Emperor himself will appoint for life, as members of the Council, the archdukes, the clerical dignitaries, and some distinguished persons belonging to the civil and military branches. The Provincial Diets are to propose 38 members, subject to the approval of the Emperor, who will choose every member from a list of three candidates presented by the Diets. These members will take their seats in the Council for six years.

The subjects which will be submitted to the discussion of the Council are—the Budget; the examination of the balance of public accounts; the demands of the Commission for the public debt; and important projects of general law. The Council will not take the initiative in the discussion of the articles of the Provincial Diets. The Ministers and the heads of the Public Contracts Office are entitled to take part in the discussions of the Council. The arrangement of the rules for transacting the business of the Council is reserved. The Councillors are to have no allowance from the Treasury. Another Imperial ordinance convokes the assembling of the Councillors for the month of May next, in order to examine the budget for 1861, for which purpose, and for the active preparation of the establishment of the Provincial Diets, the Emperor will call competent men from all the provinces.

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